

Salaries = 91.5% of police budget

By Don Staruk

Of all the salaries for Andover's nearly 900 school and town employees, those of several members of the police department are possibly the most impressive.

Salaries for its 64 employees account for 91.5 percent of the police department's \$3.65 million budget request for next year. Voters will be asked to

approve that budget, including the \$3.44 million in personnel costs, at April Town Meeting.

There are other items in the police department's budget proposal for next year, but the only increases are for wages due to contract settlements, according to Chief James Johnson, who says no new positions are proposed. It's dif-

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Schools seek new 5-8 middle school

By Neil Fater

The Andover schools embarked Tuesday night on a five-year journey toward a new middle school for students in grades five through eight.

School Committee members unanimously approved Superintendent Dick Neal's recommendation to build a new school without renovating the

existing middle schools.

But Susan Dalton and Lloyd Willey, the two out-going members of the committee, said they could not recommend the option without some reservations. Lloyd Willey said he wants to make sure Andover has a different management system in place if it is going to

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Seconds from death Tree limb smashes car windshield

By Neil Fater

Doug Halsted has just left a rehearsal for the musical *Into the Woods*, when the woods came after him.

In fact, moments after Mr. Halsted arrived home from rehearsal and closed the door to

his new car Thursday, March 6, a 30-foot tree limb came smashing through his car's front windshield. The tree limb crushed the front of the driver's seat where Mr. Halsted had

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Charlotte Muller ►

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but lost Monday
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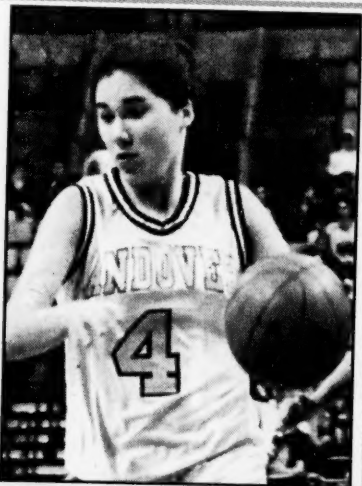


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

David Croteau, the Andover High School architect's project manager, tells his side of the story during a meeting this week with the *Andover Townsman*. That's David Soleau, principal architect in charge, to the right. Also at the meeting was Earl Flansburgh, who founded the firm, Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates Inc.

Architect: 'Very difficult to get cooperation, almost from Day One'

By Neil Fater

Responding to contractor Stone-Congress' accusations printed in last week's *Townsman*, the architect for the Andover High School construction project said Monday the project is plagued in large part because the contractor is uncooperative and unwilling to discuss changes in a normal manner.

Architects from Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates said the contractor has literally refused to talk to the architect about making even minor changes to the project. All change ideas must be submitted in writing, they said.

"Quite frankly, in my more than 30 years of experience in projects all over the world, we have never run into a contractor entity who spends so much time with paper and so little time with trying to get the job built," said Earl Flansburgh, owner of the architectural firm.

"They will not discuss things verbally with us unless they're in writing," said David Soleau, principal architect in charge.

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Time for 'generalissimo' at AHS job, says Larsen

By Neil Fater

Selectman Larry Larsen says it's time for the town to get tough and put more hard-nosed people in charge of the Andover High School construction project.

"I could see appointing some people that I think the townspeople would trust," said Dr. Larsen. "It seems we might need something more like a generalissimo than a coordinator."

Dr. Larsen said he wants Bob McQuade, public works director, and Ken Seifert, former superintendent of schools, to manage the project. He lauded Mead Consulting, the town's project manager, for its work at South and Sanborn schools, but said he believes it does not do well in situations where the architect and the contractor are adversaries. That is the case at Andover High, where the contractor has filed a \$1.7 million lawsuit against the architect and

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Court refuses to grant disability pay to former firefighter

By Don Staruk

A superior court judge in February upheld an Andover Contributory Retirement Board decision not to award an accidental disability pension after the fact to former Andover Firefighter Charles M. Keeler.

Mr. Keeler retired in July of 1992 after serving 30 years with the department. In October of 1993 he suffered a heart attack and was diagnosed with coronary heart disease. In February 1994 he filed an application for accidental disability retirement, claiming he had shown symptoms of the condition prior to his retirement, though none were reported.

A disability retirement would allow him to receive 72 percent of his pay untaxed as opposed to the 75 percent before taxes he now receives.

The state Public Employee Retirement Administration denied his application, as did the Andover Contributory Retirement Board. Mr. Keeler appealed to the state Contributory Retirement Appeal Board, and was also denied the disability retirement. On Feb. 26, Suffolk County Superior Court Judge Margaret R. Hinkle affirmed the CRAB decision, upholding the original denials.

Democrats elect convention delegates

Andover Democrats held their annual caucus Monday, March 10, to elect state convention delegates. The group chose 16 delegates and four alternates to attend the non-election year issues convention Saturday, June 7, at Salem State College. Andover Democratic Town Committee Chairwoman Norma Villarreal, State Democratic Committee members MaryJane Powell and Robert LaRochelle, and

elected Democratic officials Sen. John O'Brien and Rep. Barry Finegold will attend as ex-officio delegates.

The elected delegates are James Cuticchia, Sondra Finegold, Michael Frishman, Ronald Hajj, John Hess, Susan Jenkins, Mary Lyman, Ellen McCarthy, Peter McCarthy, Lawrence Morse, Ann Palmieri, Anthony Stankiewicz, Mary Rinehart Stankiewicz, Nancy O'Connor Stoberg, Paul Stoberg and Dorothy Winn. Alternate delegates are Mark Bartner, Barry Michaels, Mary Middleton and Gale Ross.

The next meeting of the ADTC will be Monday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m. at Town Offices on Bartlet Street. All are welcome.

League hosts candidate debate tonight at 7:30

The League of Women Voters of Andover and North Andover will host a debate tonight, Thursday, March 13, at Memorial Hall Library at 7:30 p.m. The debate will be broadcast live and taped for re-broadcast on TCI Cablevision's municipal channel.

Candidates for the two open seats on School Committee, three available seats on Board of Selectmen, two candidates for town moderator and the candidate running unopposed for the Andover seat on the Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical High School's School Committee have all been invited.

Cholesterol clinic set for March 19

The Andover Board of Health will hold a cholesterol screening clinic Wednesday, March 19, from 9 a.m. to noon for Andover residents only. An appointment is necessary.

The simple fingerstick test for total cholesterol costs \$5 and does not

require fasting. The program includes dietary counseling by the public health nurse and referral to your private physician for follow-up care as needed.

For further information or an appointment, call the health department at 623-8295.

Trails Committee meets Tuesday

The Andover Trails Committee will meet Tuesday, March 18, 7-8 p.m. at town offices, Bartlet Street. The public is welcome. On the agenda are planning for National Trails Day events and spring trail projects. Liz Tentarelli is chairwoman of the committee.

Rep. Barry Finegold plans local hours

State Rep. Barry Finegold will hold office hours Thursday, March 27, at the Andover Senior Center at Whittier Court from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and at Memorial Hall Library in Elm Square from 6-7 p.m. For more information, call Rep. Finegold at (617) 722-2000.

Senator O'Brien's hours

State Senator John D. O'Brien, D-Andover, will hold office hours in Andover at the following locations: Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., Thursday, March 20, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., and Memorial Hall Library at Elm Square, Monday, March 24, from 6 to 7 p.m.

Quote, unquote . . .

'Can't any of these people - contractors, architects, town officials et al - admit to mistakes and begin working together for the sake of the children we are responsible for educating?' Sean Gresh, in a letter about the AHS building project, page 34

'Why not portable classrooms? I have seen them used in other states and the students and teachers like them.' Pat D'Ambra, in a letter, page 34

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3 running for two 3-year selectman seats; 2 running for one 1-year seat

Three residents are running for two vacant seats with three-year terms on the Board of Selectmen: Brian Major, incumbent Larry Larsen and Susan Jenkins. Two residents are seeking one one-year term on the Board of Selectmen: John Hess and James Fox.

The Townsman asked the candidates to write answers to four questions with a specific word limit. Here are their answers:

For the three year seat:

Brian Major

Question 1.

I do support extensions into both South and West Andover. But I also support implementing 100 percent betterments to pay for the capital costs of those projects since the residents in those locations will benefit from the new systems.



Brian Major

Question 2

1. Design and build a town-sponsored, multi-faceted senior center that appropriately satisfies the needs of our elder citizens. If designed properly, this center could benefit Andover citizens of all ages by providing the means for educational, recreational and support services and resources. Youth Services is not currently looking to construct a center but to develop an appropriate budget and staff to strengthen the programs and opportunities for our young people.

2. Identify the best plan to solve the overcrowding issues that we currently face in our grammar/middle schools. I also want to ensure the townspeople that we have a plan in which proper project management practices will be implemented and the safety of our children will be our foremost concern.

3. Re-evaluate the land-use segment of the town's Master Plan. I support benchmarking other communities to ensure that Andover is truly following a course of residential growth that is healthy to our economy, our environment and our New England heritage.

Question 3.

Community/Youth Services (805 & 811) - I support efforts to increase revenues from the sale

THE QUESTIONS

1. Do you support extending the town's sewer system into South Andover? West Andover? Please justify your answer.

2. Choose your top three priorities from the following list, rank the three in order of importance, and explain your reasoning: a) Senior Center, b) Youth Center, c) Middle School expansion, d) Limit residential construction.

3. List three specific areas in the town-side budget, i.e. department and line item(s), where you would look to either make cuts or reductions or to increase revenues.

4. Which is your favorite Star Wars character?

of services provided, as well as aggressive efforts to identify and pursue grant moneys that can subsidize the cost of services and/or programming.

Town Counsel (295) - I challenge the need for a 30 percent increase in legal fees for the town over our FY97 budget. I would reduce that budget by approximately \$75,000.

Community Development/Plan (805) - I would aggressively pursue the "Planning for Growth Grants" recently announced by the EOE. This money will be available from the state to assist municipalities in planning for growth in their communities.

Question 4.

Princess Leia because she was always confident in herself and her abilities. She never shied away from taking control of a situation and had no problem being a risk-taker.

Larry Larsen

Question 1

Yes. The Ballardvale sewer extension is necessary. It meets appropriate criteria. Extensions into West Andover is also necessary in time. Criteria are based upon master sewer plan priority, septic failure rates, and number of residences served by the extension.



Larry Larsen

Question 2

A) Senior Center: I have been

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Golf for charity

Golf tourney to aid Afarian Scholarship fund

Friends and relatives of the late Peter M. Afarian will host a golf tournament this June to raise money for a scholarship fund in the former Andover resident's name.

Peter, a 1995 Andover High School graduate and a goalie on both the AHS and Fitchburg State College hockey teams, was killed in a car accident on Lowell Street July 28, 1996. His family established the Peter M. Afarian Memorial Scholarship Fund to provide an annual scholarship to a member of each of the two schools' hockey teams in Peter's name.

The Peter M. Afarian Memorial Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament is scheduled for 12:30 p.m., Monday, June 2, at Windham Country Club, Windham, N.H. It will be a shotgun format and is limited to the first 144 players.

The cost for the tourney is \$100 per person, including greens fees, cart, dinner, prizes and gifts. Dinner only is \$20 per person.

For an application or more information, contact Charles Kochakian, 17 Oakland Road, Andover, MA 01810.

Women's tourney benefits Cancer Society

The Greater Lawrence Unit of the American Cancer Society will hold "Ribbon of Hope," the first annual women's golf tournament, at Indian Ridge Country Club Monday, May 5. The proceeds will fund breast cancer research. Golf committee chairwomen are Elizabeth Terlizzi, Linda Infurna, Maureen Cannava and Arlene Santangelo.

The entry fee of \$135 per play includes complimentary gifts, greens fees, cards and an awards dinner. Hole sponsorships are available for \$100 as well as other donor opportunities.

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Resident blames ConsCom for sports-court suit

By Don Staruk

Jim Arnold is suing the town's Conservation Commission to protect himself, he says. It is the only recourse he has, he says, to keep from having to spend tens of thousands of dollars to comply with an enforcement order issued to him by the commission. The order tells him to remove a sports court he built in his backyard. Mr. Arnold says he filled in a swimming pool because it was deteriorating and dangerous, built the sports court in its place and that he had the right to do so.

Bob Pustell, ConsCom chairman, says filling in a swimming pool and building the sports court on the banks of Haggetts Pond was in direct violation of the state's Wetlands Protection Act. Mr. Arnold's actions, according to Mr. Pustell, indicate he thinks Department of Environmental Protection regulations do not apply to him.

The ConsCom issued the enforcement order Dec. 31. The suit against the ConsCom was filed in Essex County Superior Court Feb. 28.

In the suit, Mr. Arnold, of 15 Geneva Road, asks that the enforcement order be thrown out, that the court find the ConsCom exceeded its authority in issuing it, and that he be granted "such other relief as is just and equitable."

Mr. Arnold said this week he has already spent "into five figures" filing the court case and having an environmental impact study done to respond to the ConsCom, but that he is not looking to recoup any money from the town.

"I will not seek money at this juncture, if we can come to some agreement" to resolve the dispute, he said Tuesday of this week.

The ConsCom has until March 21 to respond. Tom Urbelis, town counsel, will discuss the matter at the ConsCom's meeting next Tuesday, March 18.

Kaija Gilmore, town building inspector, in a Dec. 27 letter, also ordered Mr. Arnold to remove the sports court, fencing and lighting. The work to construct the court allegedly violated a zoning bylaw because it disturbed land within 50 feet of the pond. Mr. Arnold alleges the work was done within the footprint of the pre-existing pool and



Photo by Don Staruk

Jim Arnold stands in front of his sports court at 15 Geneva Road. Haggetts Pond is behind the court, right back, and past the trees at left.

patio area, and that it was therefore allowed. Mr. Arnold said he hopes that issue can be resolved at the Zoning Board of Appeals level. The ZBA will discuss the

sports court at its first meeting in April.

The gist of the case

Mr. Arnold had an in-ground swimming pool that was deteriorating in his backyard. The yard is a peninsula sticking out into Haggetts Pond, the town's primary water resource. Part of the embankment at the edge of the pond was also deteriorating and falling into the pond. Mr. Arnold wanted to pull the embankment back from the pond and use it to fill the in-ground pool.

In August of 1995, Mr. Arnold filed a Request for Determination of Applicability with the ConsCom to see if the work fell under its jurisdiction. The commission found that the work he proposed was subject to the Wetlands Protection Act regulations, which authorizes the ConsCom to regulate any work within 100 feet of a bank or pond that will alter the bank or pond. They told him not to do the work and to file a Notice of Intent, which should detail how the work would be done and the steps to be taken to protect the pond.

That's the last the ConsCom heard about the issue until last December when a neighbor across the pond noticed work being done on the property and notified town officials. By then, Mr. Arnold had filled the pool and constructed the sports court.

"He never responded. He just went ahead and did the work," Mr. Pustell said last week. "Even now we're not sure what he did."

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Town scholarship on April 14 Town Meeting warrant

By Neil Fater

A group of Andover residents wants to establish an umbrella scholarship program to prevent future scholars from getting soaked by the rising cost of education.

The residents want Town Meeting to establish an umbrella "Town of Andover Scholarship Fund" that proponents say will help funnel more financial aid to residents seeking further education.

This fund will be part of the nation-wide Dollars for Scholars program, which already consists of hundreds of local chapters. Dollars for Scholars says its local chapters distributed \$9.2 million to more than 16,700 students during the 1995-1996 academic year.

"We really want to see this get off the ground," said Madhu Sridhar, Dollars for Scholars chapter vice president. "The cost of education and the quality of education are the two major concerns of Americans right now. The community needs to get involved."

Currently, chapter members are raising money to build an endowment and to create a special scholarship. Raytheon plans to match up to \$2,000 this year, and Andover Bank has already donated \$1,000, said Stephen Marley, chapter president and Raytheon representative.

The idea for a Dollars for Scholars pro-

gram in Andover began to take shape last spring when Ruby Easton, Andover High School guidance counselor, and Jerry Silverman, selectman, began searching for volunteers to help start the program. Several community members answered the call.

This April, a Town Meeting article looks to set up the fund and acquire \$2,500 from the town to pay for the initial funding for Andover's scholarship committee. This committee will select the people who receive scholarships and most scholarships would be for \$1,000 or less.

Mr. Marley said state law dictates that this committee will be made up of nine members including a designee of the superintendent of schools and eight town residents selected by the Board of Selectmen.

Ms. Sridhar said she wants to make sure all Andover schools, such as Andover High, Greater Lawrence Technical School and Phillips Academy, would be represented. The scholarships also would be open to others in the community who are interested in pursuing further educational opportunities.

If the Town Meeting article is approved, it will allow Andover to raise money for scholarships by including a note in residents' town bills asking for a donation of \$1 or

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Andover selectmen candidates debate the issues

By Don Staruk

The Andover Chamber of Commerce hosted a forum for candidates for the Board of Selectmen last Thursday morning, March 6, at the Andover Marriott. The three candidates for the two three-year terms on the board include incumbent Larry L. Larsen, Susan E. Jenkins and Brian P. Major. The two candidates for a one-year term on the board to complete the seat vacated by Rep. Barry Finegold, D-Andover, are James E. Fox and John P. Hess. About 30 chamber members attended the forum.

Each candidate was allowed to make a short opening statement, then each was asked to respond to three questions.

In his opening remarks, James Fox thanked Rep. Barry Finegold, who defeated Mr. Fox in his bid for the Statehouse last fall, "for giving me the opportunity to run for selectman." Mr. Fox said he was the only candidate in that race who pushed for a reduced classification shift for property taxes in town.

Mr. Hess touted his having a child in the schools, while Ms. Jenkins mentioned her role as a member of the School Building Committee.

Dr. Larsen said he has busi-

ness experience as a partner in a publishing corporation and with involvement in real estate development and as a business consultant during the 1970s. He said he wants to serve one more term to see if he can finish some of the things he's worked on during his first two terms.

Mr. Major touted his work with the Andover Youth Council and the Boy Scouts of America.

Question 1

Candidates were asked what they thought went wrong with the Andover High School building project, and what could be done differently to assure a middle school building project would not face the same fate.

"I think this project was rushed from the very beginning," said Dr. Larsen. He cautioned to never go into a project when undercapitalized. He also recommended building new rather than trying to stretch or refurbish an old building. He said the problems have been a result of management styles. He said Mead Consulting, the town's watchdog on the project, is more a data-oriented firm when what is needed on the site is a task-oriented firm in the driver's seat.

Mr. Hess pushed for having "our own person" involved, "to be responsible on the job on the

town side." He also pushed for better communication among all parties and residents.

"I don't believe we could have taken more time," Ms. Jenkins said. Part of the problem, she said, is the state's public bidding laws that require towns to take the low bidder and doesn't allow the architect to be involved at the beginning. She said she has talked to state legislators about submitting legislation that would allow the town to pick one of the three low bidders. "The model just doesn't work that we're using now," she said.

Changing the public bidding laws will take longer than the town has to address the middle school problem, according to Mr. Fox. He called the AHS project "a mess," and said a business "run like this would be out of business."

"How could you ever miss not having smoke detectors?" he asked.

Mr. Fox said he doesn't like surprises.

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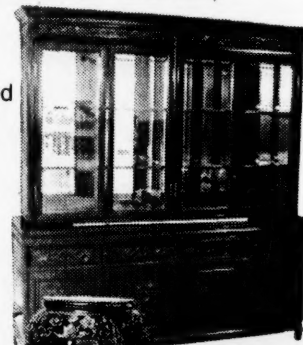
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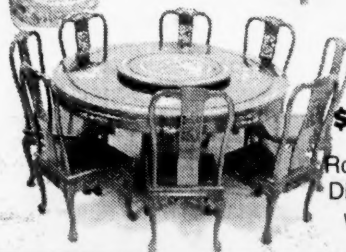


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Debate

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very critical," he said. Consensus is OK, Mr. Fox said, "but I'm not going to take the consensus of somebody who makes the wrong decisions."

Mr. Major said the planning stage for the High School project was "too short," and that things were left out. He said teachers and faculty should be involved from the very beginning to offer practical advice from hands-on knowledge. He said a lack of communication causes pride to get in the way and polarization when parties should be working together to find solutions. He also recommended involving the departments of Public Works and Municipal Maintenance on a daily basis.

Candidates were asked what the town should do about the need for a senior center, youth center, community center, sewer expansion and a public safety building, and how to pay for anything they thought the town should pursue.

"These are good problems to have," signs of a growing town with growing needs," Mr. Hess said. He said "bricks and mortar" are not the answer and that we have to find ways to provide services with existing buildings.

"The Senior Center is at the top of my list," Dr. Larsen said. He said it has been talked about for more than 10 years and the seniors are willing to pay "the lion's share of it." He also said it is time to address the outmoded public safety center. As far as paying for it, Dr. Larsen said Andover is a hot industrial real estate market and that industrial development will help pay.

Mr. Fox said, "I don't think this is the time to be pushing the youth center," he said, adding that there are more important priorities. The same goes for the community center, he said. He fears the sewer will open more land to residential growth and that bears looking into before going too far with the sewer expansion. He favors building a new public safety center and watching budgets more closely.

Ms. Jenkins said the town needs to prioritize the needs through open

discussion with residents. Maintaining the town's infrastructure is necessary and no dollar figure should be put on employees' safety when it comes to dealing with sick buildings, she said. She would cut the town's health insurance and utility costs by buying in consortium with other towns. She also recommended re-allocating space rather than building new, and suggested the youth center could be housed in what is now the Senior Center if the seniors build a new center.

Mr. Major favors sewer expansion with 100 percent betterments. He also favors rebuilding or replacing the public safety center. He said the youth center is not a priority right now, but that expanding youth programs and services are. The town needs to "step up to the plate" on the senior center issue. Just throwing \$500,000 toward the cost of a new center isn't enough.

The town should get totally involved in the project with seniors, Mr. Major said.



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PITFALLS THAT CAN TRIP UP A SMALL BUSINESS

When you have your own business, you learn very quickly that you will never run low on challenges. Your biggest concern, of course, is attracting enough customers and making sufficient sales. But along the way, you'll encounter some pitfalls that affect almost all small businesses.

The success of your business may depend on how you deal with these hazards. Here are some of the more common ones to watch out for:

• **Bad spending decisions** — As a small-business owner, you don't have the option of wasting money. Spending too much on overhead can hurt your cash flow and your growth potential. You can avoid fat overhead costs by just not spending until you absolutely have to. For example, before you take on the expense of hiring a new employee, look at other possibilities first. Can you contract out work? Use an answering service? Get by with a part-timer? You might be surprised at how well you can function with a less-expensive alternative.

Similarly, before you spend money on equipment, make sure that it's both essential and exactly what you need. Many small-business people, especially when they're first starting out, make the mistake of buying a lot of things they think they'll need only to wind up with a load of stuff that's just collecting dust.

• **Not charging enough** — In the long run, there's very little to be gained — and much to lose — by staking your reputation solely on being the lowest-priced business in your field. Too many small businesses ignore the prevailing "market price" on the goods and services they provide, instead charging as little as they can to stay afloat, figuring that what they lose in individual transactions, they'll make up for in overall volume. Unfortunately, it rarely works out that way. It's much smarter for your business to become known as reliable, rather than cheap.

• **Failing to plan and budget properly** — Your business depends on a steady cash flow — and that's not something you can leave to chance. You've got to line up cash before you need it, and you have to budget for those times when you think cash flow might be weaker. Furthermore, by establishing a budget, and sticking to it, you'll be better prepared to answer those tough financial questions from your banker when it's time to request a business loan.

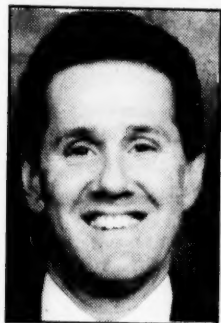
• **Getting lazy about collections** — With some of your clients, you may need to be persistent about collecting the money that's due to you. You have to stay on top of these situations, and not just because you want to speed the flow of cash into your business. Slow payments could be symptomatic of other problems, such as client's financial difficulties, or a dispute over your service. Obviously, you'll need to know these things if you're going to keep on working with this client.

• **Lack of communication with clients** — You can never assume that you know exactly what your clients want; too many small businesses make assumptions that later come back to haunt them. You must be proactive in seeking client input on your service. Consider sending out comment cards or soliciting feedback in other ways.

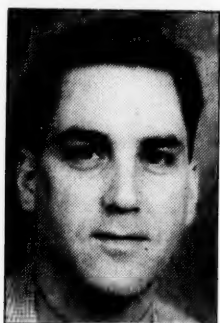
• **Plan ahead.** Of course, we've only looked at a few of the many pitfalls that could cause problems for a small business; there are a lot more of them out there. But you can avoid most of these potential difficulties simply by planning ahead, keeping your focus and paying careful attention to all the details.

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James Stamas

James Stamas, Michael J. Driscoll and Robin St. Louis

Andover Bank announces the hiring of three new mortgage bankers, James Stamas of Tewksbury, Michael J. Driscoll of Boston and Robin St. Louis of Methuen. They



Robin St. Louis

will work with homebuyers and homeowners, real estate brokers and builders to generate mortgage business.

Mr. Stamas was a mortgage loan officer with BayBank and Boston Five Cents Savings Bank. He is a graduate of Plymouth State College.

Mr. Driscoll has been an area sales manager for Shawmut Mortgage Company and most recently regional production manager at Salem Five Mortgage Corporation. He received a bachelor's degree and MBA from Babson College. Mr. Driscoll serves on the board of Massachusetts Young Mortgage Bankers Association.

Ms. St. Louis joined Andover Bank in 1994 as a consumer loan representative. Prior to that, she was employed by First Essex Bank. Ms. St. Louis is a member of Greater Board of Lowell Realtors and a graduate of Northern Essex Community College.

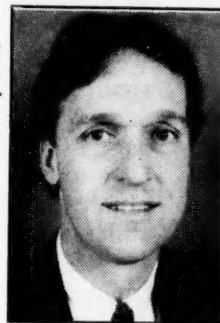
Jeffrey M. Page

At its annual meeting held recently, the Young Mortgage Bankers (YMB), a division of the Massachusetts Mortgage Banking Association (MMBA), elected Jeffrey M. Page, vice president

of Andover Bank, secretary of the organization as well as member of the Board of Directors.

MMBA is a statewide trade association representing banks, mortgage companies, and other organizations active in the residential mortgage business in Massachusetts.

Mr. Page has served on the YMB board of directors for the past four years and has been the chairman and a member of its membership committee. He heads the Mortgage Production Department at Andover Bank, including residential mortgage sales and processing for the Bank's lending market in eastern Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire.



Jeffrey M. Page

extend existing programs and provide a vehicle for instruction to those who must supervise the daily operations of various departments.

Howard Piltch

Howard Piltch of Andover, New England's representative to the board of directors of the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL), is president of the league for 1997.

Mr. Piltch has 11,500 masterpoints and more than 125 regional triumphs to his credit. He earned 1,319 points masterpoints last year, more than four times the 300 necessary to become a Life Master. He is a regular among the lecturers to novice players at North American championships.

Mr. Piltch has served as chairman of the tournament committee for two years and was chairman of the education committee for one year. He has displayed an interest in the ACBL's economic structure and has been responsible for major savings in several areas.

Mr. Piltch, a licensed real estate and insurance broker, is a bridge professional nowadays, but plans to curtail his professional efforts during his term as president.

The primary items on his agenda are:

- Set to rest the myth that bridge is an old person's game;
- Provide guidance and help for bridge clubs;
- Expand the number of corporate sponsors to help ACBL with its educational plans to introduce computer educational material into a number of schools;
- Build a bridge pro tour with cash prizes;
- Make an effort to produce a TV program.

Mr. Piltch and his wife, Barbara, have two children, Joseph, 23, and Robert, 14.

Chamber hosting seminars on trade

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Massachusetts Export Center, Mass. Small Business Development Center and others, will host the Governor's Partners for Trade Seminars.

The program will feature Pacific Rim seminars on the following dates: **April 2, *Doing Business in Australia and New Zealand***, will cover doing business in these countries, company export experiences in these markets and opportunities for Massachusetts products. **April 30, *Doing Business in Taiwan*** will focus on exploring the

Taiwanese market opportunities for Massachusetts companies and include an economic overview of Taiwan, the world's 19th largest economy. **May 28, *Doing Business in Korea*** will help companies at all level of international trade experience understand how to compete and develop successful business contact and opportunities there. The U.S. Department of Commerce recently designated Korea one of the 10 big energizing markets.

All seminars, designed to assist the small and mid-size businesses, will be held at the Taje Inn.

John A. Marino

Sgt. John A. Marino of Andover, a member of the Somerville Police Department, has completed a three-week Command Training Program at Babson College in Wellesley, co-sponsored by the New England Association of Chiefs of Police and Babson College School of Executive Education.

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Resident named Unsung Hero by Red Cross

The American Red Cross of Massachusetts Bay has announced the recipients of the 1997 Clara Barton Humanitarian Awards. Andover resident Gladys Aquino-Gaines is one of the recipients.

This award recognizes and honors local "unsung heroes" who demonstrate a commitment to easing human suffering and providing humanitarian service, courage, relief and compassion to those in distress. Angela Menino, First Lady of Boston, is keynote speaker for the Humanitarian Awards Banquet, tonight, Thursday, March 13, at Four Season Hotel Boston.

The 1997 Humanitarian Award recipients include:



Gladys Aquino-Gaines

Boston Police Officer Gladys R. Rubi Aquino-Gaines of Andover, recognizing her outstanding commitment to the prevention of domestic violence in the Commonwealth. Ms. Aquino-Gaines is a driving force behind Boston's war on domestic violence and child abuse. Born in Central America and emigrating to Boston at age 11, Ms. Aquino-Gaines is a 19-year veteran of the Boston Police Department, where she is responsible for developing curriculum and ongoing training in domestic violence, child abuse, suicide prevention and crisis intervention.

Her dedication on the job has resulted in greater statutory protection for abused persons, and has influenced a state-wide commitment to issues surrounding family violence and its prevention, according to the Red Cross. Through her efforts, a domestic violence officer was established in each district.

Ms. Aquino-Gaines serves on the board of directors for the Women's Resource Center, and was recently successful in helping the center secure a shelter for battered women and their children. In the evening hours, she volunteers as a bilingual operator for a rape hotline.

On Mother's Day 1991, Ms. Aquino-Gaines was diagnosed with advanced breast cancer (malignant lobular carcinoma). Within four months, the cancer had spread to 32 percent of her lymphatic system. She has undergone

four surgeries to remove cancerous tumors and a variety of treatments in an attempt to slow the cancer's spread. Despite the debilitating side-effects of surgery and treatments, Ms. Aquino-Gaines has continued to work and maintain her dedication to the prevention of domestic violence. She is one of those profiled in *Living With Breast Cancer*, a book released in December by *Townsmen* staffers Perry Colmore and Lisa Adelsberger.

Ms. Aquino-Gaines also serves as a member of the Domestic Violence Committee for the Secretary of Public Safety; the Committee for Gender Equity of the Supreme Judicial Court; the Domestic Violence Council; Dorchester and Roxbury Court Round Tables; the City of Boston Women's Commission Domestic Violence Task Force; the Governor's Policy Commission on Domestic Violence and the sub-committee for Community Education and Legislation.

Ms. Aquino-Gaines credits her thirst for life to the unconditional love and support of her husband of 13 years and their three young sons.

Other winners are:

Rev. Ray Alexander Hammond of Dorchester, pastor of Jamaica Plain's Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church and president of the Ten Point Coalition, acknowledging his grass-roots support of urban youth;

Surgeon **Dr. Susan Briggs** of Boston, who serves as national supervising medical officer with the Office of Emergency Preparedness in Washington, D.C., recognizing her hands-on involvement with medical relief efforts around the world; and

Last Alarm, The Vendome Memorial Posthumous Award, presented to Boston Fire Commissioner **Martin E. Pierce** in memory of the nine Boston firefighters who lost their lives in the Hotel Vendome fire 25 years ago, and all firefighters who risk their lives each day.

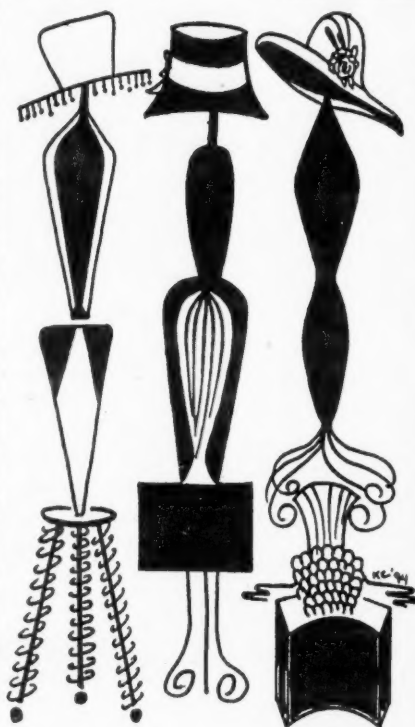
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By Fred Stott

ALASKA - Here's an update. Home Sunday. During the past week the mushers and their dogs covered most of the 1,150 miles from Anchorage to Nome, with checkouts for each at each checkpoints. The leaders reached Unalakleet yesterday, Sunday - 269 miles to go.

For me, shorter miles, air miles, Anchorage to McGrath to Takotna (three times), plus Iditarod, now Unalakleet and this afternoon Shaktoolik, Koyuk, Elim and White Mountain. For both mushers and this eyewitness, the shakedown took a day or two. The musher shakedown - of the 53 starters, three were clear favorites (Buser, King and Swingley). Perhaps six others had an outside chance. Then another 15-20 aiming to finish in the money (top 20). And then the rest, mostly rookies seeking that personal goal of completing the Iditarod. A great year for mushers. Unimaginable for almost anyone living in Andover. The

miles, the terrain (ice, water, gravel and bare ground as well as snow), the clock yielding, the miles ticking off slowly at 10 mph. when the dogs are running, which is about 12 of each 24 hours.

For me the shakedown was a leap-frog travel routine. Fly ahead of the mushers. Watch them come into a checkpoint. Look and listen at/to mushers, veterinarians, dogs and checkers. Pick up scads of impressions and gossip, which together form a composite picture. Then back on a bush plane.

A few impressions. First, a village, Takotna. Population doubled in past four years from 41 to 80. Big focus on education - the slogan, "strength through adversity." The first charter school in all Alaska! One of the two or three friendliest checkpoints on the trail.

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dents, a genuine sense of warmth and helpfulness. Practically everyone volunteers and works. Food, well cooked, at every hour. Mushers get a personal welcome (outside) day or night, storm or quiet. The record-low temperature in recent years, -84 degrees. Every thermometer was down to the bulb. After that, every thermometer was replaced by newer models which can register to -100 degrees!

I spent four days with Jan and Dick Newton, Nell Hoffman, Mary Marsol and a mix of mushers, handlers, vets and inhabitants - all of us together in a warm, often sleepless (place) for 96 hours. Then, all gone, and the cleanup begins. But it's the most exciting week our year. Bigger than Christmas, Easter or the 4th of July.

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P.S. The moment passes. The lead changes hands. Jeff King develops a bad cold, takes desperately needed rest. Four dogs go lame. Buser charges into Unalakleet two hours ahead, Swingley second, King third, and 269 miles to go to Nome.

[Editor's note: Last week's story from Andover resident Fred Stott came via e-mail. This week the story was faxed and written in longhand. Some of the sentences, which the editor couldn't read, were deleted from this account.]

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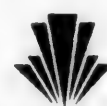


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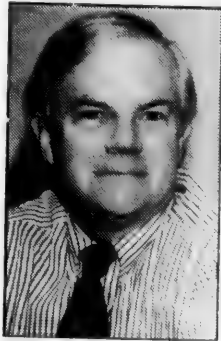
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South Main Street area in following years. New sewers for West Andover and replacement of aging sewers should occur in an orderly manner in accordance with the town's Sewer Master Plan, within budget constraints.

Question 2.

I don't think we need to take any extreme measures to limit the slow but steady growth in residential construction, rather, it is positive that people wish to live in Andover. Ranking the other three items is not a simple process. We need to think first about what services are needed, not strictly about bricks and mortar. We should be moving toward a method of collaboration and communication between groups. This will allow a comprehensive plan for the needs of all citizens and achieve a balance in services.



John Hess

Question 3.

One of the two largest increases in the budget has been in the school department (primarily in response to increasing enrollments). Town and school officials must continue to negotiate decreases. The other large increase has been in debt service (which starts decreasing after FY'98, even with the High School). Increases in other departments are acceptable. I support in particular the increase in the Department of Municipal Maintenance to hire a purchasing coordinator who will introduce efficiencies in purchasing and inventory control. I would like to see an increase (\$10-20,000) in the Youth Services budget to allow them to expand services to youth and families. I think we can decrease the cost of health insurance by encouraging more employees to join HMOs and by offering more smoking cessation and other health education to employees.

Question 4

Chewbacca: Such a good and caring friend. Absolute proof that you can't judge a book by its cover.

James Fox

Question 1.

The advent of Title V, with its costly ramifications on septic owners, is certainly a chief consideration in determining whether sewer systems should be extended. Fairness would compel the town to permit extensions to these homeowners. However, I am adamantly opposed to sewer extensions which would encourage further residential development or would impact on the community's wetlands area.



James Fox

Question 2.

Whereas my candidacy is for a one-year tenure, I envision most urgency attaching to the middle school expansion and a new senior center. With respect to school space, we must act in April at the Town Meeting to vote for space for our children. Soon, nearly 180 middle-graders will not have a place to be

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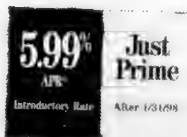
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Selectman candidates answer Townsman questions

Larry Larsen

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an advocate of a senior/community center for a number of years. The seniors have been working on this issue since at least 1987. They are badly overcrowded, and not able to conduct appropriate and modern programs for an aging population without a new home. Seniors are willing to contribute toward that end and have set up the "Friends of Andover Seniors" to help fund their dream. Matching state monies will help. In the warrant is a request for \$500,000. This blend of town, private and state money will enable us to fund a long needed facility.

B) Limitation on residential construction is essential. This can be accomplished in two ways. First, we have begun and should continue an aggressive program purchasing for public use the last remaining tracts of undeveloped land. In addition, future building should be regulated with bylaws to make marginal land unusable. Such is not the case at the present.

C) Youth Center: The present thinking is less in the direction of a specific "youth center" and more with a recreational facility. Town youth activities are looking for an activity center. I would be inclined to think in terms of such a facility and move in that direction in the foreseeable future. In-kind and cash contributions could make it affordable.

Question 3.

1. 935-00-265 Medical insurance could be reduced as follows: Have BC/BS HMO instead of indemnity \$340,000.00.
2. Vehicles purchase in all departments. (Totaling \$360,000.) Cut \$100,000.
3. 100-31-295 Cut legal fees \$75,000.

Question 4.

I have two favorite characters in Star Wars. Jabba the Hutt is a metaphor for a bureaucracy. As selectman, I hope "the force" of Ben Kenobi is with me. I have given up trying to be Luke Skywalker. My hair is the wrong color.

THE QUESTIONS

1. Do you support extending the town's sewer system into South Andover? West Andover? Please justify your answer.

2. Choose your top three priorities from the following list, rank the three in order of importance, and explain your reasoning: a) Senior Center, b) Youth Center, c) Middle School expansion, d) Limit residential construction.

3. List three specific areas in the town-side budget, i.e. department and line item(s), where you would look to either make cuts or reductions or to increase revenues.

4. Which is your favorite Star Wars character?

Susan Jenkins

Question 1.

I support sewer expansion for public health reasons. Given the higher rate of septic failures in South Andover due to the area's soil composition, sewer expansion must be seriously considered and implemented. Sewer expansion in West Andover will be necessary if a school

is built on the Cross Street site.

Question 2

Options a, b and c are equally important priorities for the town to address. The Board of Selectmen must provide leadership in identifying creative solutions to all our town's needs. I intend to stimulate community discussion and build community consensus by involving as many residents as possible in the decision-making process.

Question 3.

1. We must examine fixed costs for potential cost savings. The restructuring of current debt service will allow the town to take advantage of lower interest rates. We should re-examine the health insurance program, which is currently funded at \$3,325,000, for a more competitive program that will provide comparable coverage at a lower cost. We can look at restructuring and deregulation of utilities so that the town



Susan Jenkins

might be able to purchase electricity and fuel at cheaper prices.

2. Accelerate the preventative maintenance program of our town's buildings for long-term savings.

3. A regular evaluation of the fees that we currently charge to determine if the fees actually cover the costs, including building and equipment depreciation, and the programs are not being partially subsidized by tax dollars.

Question 4.

My favorite character is Yoda. Yoda is a creature of few words that express great wisdom. My husband does a fantastic imitation of the Jedi master.

Running for the one-year seat:

John Hess

Question 1

Only 50 percent of the town is on sewer. Expansion of sewers is good public health and can help citizens avoid costly compliance with new state septic codes. I support the Capital Improvement Program which includes funding of sewers in the Ballardvale area in FY98 and the

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SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, March 17-21:

Elementary schools

Monday: Nachos with cheddar cheese sauce, baked beans, corn, chilled pears milk or juice.

Tuesday: Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, gravy, peas, bread and butter, deep dish pie with topping, milk or juice.

Wednesday: Cold cut sub with bologna, ham, cheese, tomato, lettuce, pickles, potato chips, fruited Jell-O with whipped topping, milk or juice.

Thursday: Roast turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, homemade cornbread, trail mix,

milk or juice.

Friday: Tuna salad sandwich on Syrian bread, carrot and celery sticks, fruit cup, milk or juice.

A pizza or peanut butter and jelly lunch is available daily.

Middle schools

Monday: Hamburger or cheeseburger, potato chips, sliced carrots, fruit cup, milk, or hot pastrami sub, choice of pickles or onions, sliced carrots, potato chips, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Steak sub with choice of peppers, onions or cheese, french fries, ketchup, peas, fudge brownie, milk, or chicken nuggets with honey dip, french fries, ketchup, peas,

fudge brownie, milk.

Wednesday: Taco boat with meat stuffing, lettuce, tomato and cheese, corn, pudding with whip topping, milk, or spaghetti with meat

sauce, tomato and lettuce cup, corn, bread and butter, pudding with whip topping, milk.

Thursday: Cutlet sub with tomato sauce and cheese,

green beans, deep dish pie with crumb topping, milk, or roast round of beef, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, bread and butter, deep dish pie with

crumb topping, milk.

Friday: Grilled cheese sandwich, wax beans, potato chips, chilled pears, milk, or baked pork chopette with brown gravy, whipped pota-

toes, wax beans, bread and butter, chilled pears, milk.

A pizza or sub lunch is available daily.

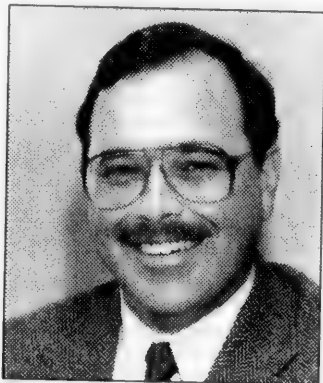
All menus are subject to change.

Scholarship auction set

By Kiran Raman and Andy Douglas
Andover High School

In the coming weeks Andover residents may notice a flurry of activity as the National Honor Society prepares for its annual scholarship auction. The auction will be held Saturday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m. in Old Town Hall to benefit the scholarship fund for Andover

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Dollars for Scholars to be on the April 14-16 warrant

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more. Those wishing to donate would simply write out their check to the town and include their donation to the scholarship program in the amount of the check. For instance, if a resident's bill was \$100 and he or she wanted to donate \$1, the resident would write a check for \$101.

"I think the sky's the limit. Giving out a lot of scholarships for a lot of money, that would be the goal," said Cynthia Milne, chapter treasurer and Andover Bank representative. "I think our immediate goal is to build an endowment fund as big as we can."

Residents interested in starting a local Dollars for Scholars chapter say there are several advantages to using the Dollars for Scholars program.

"When we give a Dollars for Scholars scholarship out, there are some schools that have a matching scholarship," said Ms. Milne. Some schools have pledged Dollars



Photo by Neil Fater

Stephen Marley, chapter president; Cynthia Milne, treasurer; and Madhu Sridhar, vice president.

for Scholars money will not affect how much financial aid they will give a student.

Selectman-for-a-year candidate James Fox answers

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educated. Our vote in April must be prudent in two ways: minimize class distraction while ensuring safety; and securing maximum funding by the state. In regard to the senior center, we must facilitate this project to service our aging fellow citizens.

Question 3.

With only a marginal increase in inflation in the '90s, I am concerned that the FY1998 proposed budget would factor such large increases to public safety (9.2 percent) and the Department of Public Works (7.9 percent). More specifically, I would delete the Hovercraft purchase (\$54,000) and require that all technology acquisitions in the future be through lease, not purchase. The state of art of computer technology, with its rampant advances should discourage the town from being saddled with equipment that is of value for only a couple of years. A case in point is the multi-million dollar purchase a few years ago of Macintosh Apple computers, which are already approaching obsoles-

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4. Which is your favorite Star Wars character?

cence.

Question 4.

Darth Vader. I appreciate his management style.

Ms. Milne also suggested existing scholarships may want to use the program.

She said many existing scholarships are simply not large enough to generate enough interest to pay for a substantial yearly scholarship. So these scholarships end up "fading away," said Ms. Milne. Ms. Milne suggests it's possible those in charge of such smaller scholarships might

want to combine them into the Dollars for Scholars program.

"I find Dollars for Scholars attractive because it's grass roots community involvement," said Ms. Sridhar. "In addition to supporting education, we are sending a message about community involvement to our youth. Our youth is our responsibility."



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Doherty honor roll

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side, Kathleen Lothrop, James Maf-
fione, Julianne Marvin, Nadeem Mazon, Caitlin Meehan, Danielle Men-
doza, Namphuong Nguyen, Geoffrey O'Donoghue, Kaitlin O'Malley, Mark O'Reil-
ly, Andrew Ong, Mary Palumbo, Meghan Pen-
ny, Todd Putnam, Sailakshmi Ramgopal, Mary Reilly, Emily Reynolds, Laura Rogers, Andrew Salini, Crystal Sannella, Edward Schneider, Andrew Tonelli, Wei-
Chen Tsai, Beverly Tseng, Jessica Urbelis, Diana Vining, Meredith White, Lindsey Williams, Jin-Chang Xu, Ashley Ying.

Honors: Natasha Ahmed, Vicky Anson, Gregory Beck, Michael Blinn, Erica Broom-

field, Peter Burbank, Eric Carlson, Ashley Collins, Megan Cuneo, Jenna DaSilva, Kelly Deyermont, Kathryn Doherty, Travis Doucette, Tanner Efin-
ger, Kristin Elsmore, Andrew Everett, Mary Ellen Flood, Jeffrey Gorrie, Robin Harrold, Kaitlin Haugh, Aurora Jennings, John John-
son Jr., Matthew John-
ston, Elaine Kazake-
vich, Karen Keough, Matthew Keough, Kath-
leen Kramer, Thomas Lane, Kristen Leonard, William Lindmark, R. Scott Lundgren, Matthew Mancinelli, Craig Martinson, Bahaar Massihzadegan, James McCarthy, Kirsty McCarthy, Ash-
ley McClory, Jessica Milley, Angela Monaco, Jessica Moody, Stephen Mouzakis, Jessica Neal, Diana Newell, Cath-
erine Newman, Samuel Nigh, Aaron Nossiff,

Elliot Perkins, Tucker Prudden, Michael Reed, Timothy Ronan, Caitlin Rubenstein, Lauren Rusckowski, Joanna Sawyer, Alicia Shipula, Elizabeth Sullivan, Ross Trainor, Lisa Tylus, Brian Walker, John Wang, Thomas Weaver, Amy Wetter-
skog, Kirsty Wright.

Grade 8

High honors: Julie Andros, Jennifer Annese, Michael Ash-
ley-Rollman, Eric Bakkensen, Amanda

Barash, Daniel Berman, Molly Bobek, Brock Bouchard, Alex Caplan, Cynthia Cohen, Melissa Currier, Rebec-
ca Dann, Katherine Dugan, Sarah Ferranti, Shawna Foley, Vikas Goela, Rose Grabowski, Caitlin Grasso, Lindsay Hanna, Rachel Harkins, Caitlin Hen-
ningsen, Stephen Hibi-
no, Catherine Hough, Rucha Karnik, Adrea Lee, Olivia Leitermann, Maureen Lothrop, Lau-
ra Mertes, Mistina Muscatel, Kerry

Nugent, Kayla Peek, Alison Pennelli, Emily Pfeil, John Ristuccia II, Rachel Robinson, Eryn Samuels, Kathryn Sand, Nicholas Schade, James Sherman, Raja Surapanani, On Kin Tsang, Kira Ventura, Jeffrey Volinski, Jenifer Walsh, Rachel Weiner, Caitlin Woo, Lesley Yen.

Honors: Charles Alovisetti, Michael Anderson, Michael Antaya, Jennifer Aron-
son, Jennifer Bronson, Katharine Buckley,

Michael Byrne, Heidi Carroll, J. Alexander Champion, Thomasine Chapin, Nunu Chen, Brittany Cohen-Iveson, Nina Conn, Vivienne Crossley, Derek Dascoli, Martin DeFrancisco, Ryan Domigan, Diana Finegold, Matthew Fournier, Richard Fur-
ness, Jonathan Gard-
ner, Christine Ha, Kaitlin Hickey, Emily Huston, Ji-Young Hwang, Christoph Krey, Michelle Lin, Crystal Malcolm, Jillian Mann, Adam McCabe, Lynne

McCumber, Dennis Moran, Maria Mouza-
kis, Daniel Nolan, Ji Hyun Oh, Justin Ord-
man, Dominick Palum-
bo, Sheena Patel, Adam Perry, Erin Perry, Diana Petersen, Steph-
anie Pierce, Michael Ring Jr., Richard Roda, Matthew Rose, David Rosenberg, Dustin Shea, Alison Shurman, Clau-
dia Soo Hoo, Emerson Sykes, Hiroyuki Toyo-
da, Jeffrey Vallera, Sophia Walter, Spencer Washburn, Allison Wilner, Larry Xu.

Andover High students will speak at Doherty PAC meeting

The Doherty Middle Schools' Parent Advisory Council (PAC) will meet tonight, March 13, at 7:30 in the school's media center. A panel of Andover High School students will talk about their experiences at AHS. Parents will be able to ask questions regarding areas of concern such as curriculum, extracurricular activities, social life, and making the transition from middle to high school, etc.

All parents are encouraged to stay for the brief PAC meeting following the discussion. For more information, call Carol Baffi-Dugan (470-3542), or Carolyn Shannon (475-7670).

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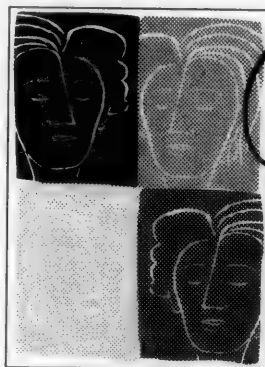


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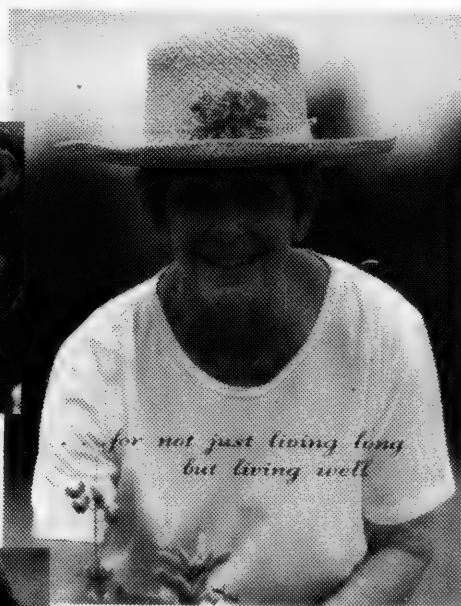
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Doherty Middle School students named to second term honor roll

Doherty Middle School announced the names of students on the honor roll for the second term.

Grade 6

High honors: Joshua Accomando, Kellen Affleck, Heather Ashton, Jeffrey Begley, Sheri Bernstein, Benjamin Bibler, Daniel Booth, Meghan Bradley, Aislinn Callahan, Melissa Carpenter, Brett Carroll, Stephanie Casper, Scott Chamberlin, Kate Cooper, Andrea Daniel, David DeMella, Williams English, Sophie Eustis, John Fitzpatrick, Megan Gardner, Matthew Garriety, Andrea Gerard, Rachel Goldman, Andrew Haak, Caitlin Hamer, Alexander Hanna, Lauren Harlow, Alia Hastings, Marianna Kleyman, Carrie Kropnicki, Jessica Leider, John Linnemann, Colin Liotta, Caitlin Littlefield, Elizabeth Magner, Lindsay Mann, Casey McDade, Jessica Merrill, John Minton, Amy Palmieri, Audrey Peck, Audra Peek, Michael Pescatore, Andrew Pfeil, Michael Ruderman, Valerie Saryan, Abigail Scully, Allyson Silberstein, Ross Skaliotis, Alexandra Spang, Ben-

jamin Sprattler, Priya Sridhar, Russell Stevens, Jesse Szafarz, Kim Tran, Elizabeth Vazquez, Meredith Voiland, Taylor Washburn, Jeffrey Wessler, Lauren Woo, Michael Zammuto.

Honors: Maya Bachman, Matthew Bagnall, Justin Barry, Sean Bartley, Edward Borland, Elyse Brouillard, Colin Callahan-Higgins, Christina Caselle, Justin Cherny, Laura Cohen, Jared Cuneo, Brendan Day, Kristen Donahue, Jessica Fine, Christy Fiorentino, Erich Fournier, Emily Gentile, Gardner Gould, James Guillet, Lisa Hagopian, Corinne Hanson, Emma Hanson, Colleen Harrison, Jessica Hitchins, Katherine Hodgson, Kara Huston, William Igoe III, Heather Keating, Yayoi Kimura, Alexander Ladeau, David Lamond, Alex Lau, Christopher Lee, Bowen Li, Elaine Lin, Sarah Longo, Jesse Lundquist, Troy Lundstrom, Guy Mancini, Daniel Mason, Erin McArdle, Elinor McCandless, Elizabeth McCarthy, Kathleen Minahan, Kenneth Moreland Jr., Daniel Oliveira, Monica Ortiz, Jonathan Papas, Michael

Petrillo, Jennifer Pirro, Anjali Poddar, Igor Rafalovich, Catherine Rauso, Lauren Saia, Janis Scanlon, Katie Stewart, Christopher Tripp, Lia Vallera, Danni Ventre, Matthew Viscuse, William Walter, Adam Weisblatt, Scott Wilbur.

Grade 7

High honors: Benjamin Atkins, Jesse Bardo, Keziban Barry, Roxanne Beinart, Daniel Berman, Gregory Booth, Katharine Boshar, Christopher Brouillard, Allison Caffrey, Tristina Carlson, Michael Cashman, Shuva Chakraborty, Jane Champion, Karen Chang, Rachel Charron, Gary Chen, William Chen, Duncan Cooper, Daniel Cote, Holly Cronin, Rachelle Dennis, Joshua Desjardins, Courtney Domigan, William Dunn III, Allyson Fortier, Jessica Garone, Bethany Givens, Zachary Goldman, Kathryn Goldthwaite, Rachel Gordon, Melissa Griffin, Rebecca Hass, Kaitlin Hill, Natalie Ho, Geraldine Hough, Laurel Ingraham, Gregory Kearns, Lauren Keene, Christina Kelleher, Anna

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PA students named to Cum Laude Society

Thirty-five seniors have been nominated for membership in the Phillips Academy chapter of the Cum Laude Society, a national organization that recognizes academic excellence in secondary schools. To be nominated, students must achieve among the highest numerical grades in their class.

Andover students nominated are: Kelly Grieco, daughter of James and Jeannie Grieco;

Joshua LeMaitre, son of Dr. Paul and Lucie LeMaitre; Jamie Lipman, daughter of Edward and Marlene Lipman; Lauren Martin, daughter of Dr. Gregory and Deborah Martin; Todd Pugatch, son of Dr. Donald Pugatch of Andover and Maria Pugatch of Revere; Abigail Spieler, daughter of Dr. Phyllis Friedberg and Dr. Paul Spieler; Nicholas Vantzelfde, son of Mark and Karen Vantzelfde.

March is Arts Month in the Andover public schools

The public is invited to these free performances in the Andover schools:

- Thursday, March 20, **Andover High School**, "Sock & Toast" art exhibit and chamber concert, 6-8 p.m.

- Friday, March 14, **Doherty Middle School**, creating art, 7-9 p.m. and Wednesday, March 26, demonstrations and performances, 7-9 p.m.

- Monday, March 31, **West Middle School** art exhibit and chamber concert, 7:50 and 9:19 a.m.

- Thursday, March 13, **Bancroft School** fourth-grade concert of music improvisation for grandparents, parents and teachers, 3-4 p.m.

- March 24-28, **Sanborn School** music and

art classes open to parents, an art exhibit and lunch-time concerts. On Wednesday, March 26, first-, third- and fifth grades will make presentations at 6:30 p.m.

- Tuesday, March 25, **Shawsheen School** kindergarten music demonstration at 9:15 a.m. and 1 p.m. On Wednesday, April 2, the first grade will present a musical *The Great Kapok Tree* at 1 p.m.

- Tuesday, March 25, **South School** fourth-graders will perform from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

- March 21-27, **West Elementary School** music and art classes will be open to parents.

- Wednesday, March 12, **All bands concert** at **West Middle School** auditorium at 7:30 p.m. [See March 6 issue, p. 22.]

SHED registration is Saturday, May 3, at 8 a.m.

SHED (Shawsheen Extended Day) is an extended day program for children entering kindergarten in the fall who attend Andover public schools. The program, located at Shawsheen School, will hold registration for the 1997-'98 school year Saturday, May 3, at 8 a.m. in the Shawsheen School gym. The line will form at the side door of Shawsheen, opposite the SHED building. Entrance into

the program is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Children using the SHED program may attend Shawsheen School or their neighborhood school. Buses are provided.

There are 38 slots in the morning program, 38 in the afternoon, and 38 in the late afternoon. For more information, call Sydney Bialo at 623-8460.

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WHAT'S UP

More rock-climbing offered for middle school students

By Glenn Wilson
Andover Youth Services

The first rock-climbing session filled, so we are offering an additional session. Check out this four-week introduction to rock-climbing for middle school guys and girls. Dates are Tuesdays starting March 25 from 2:30-5 p.m. Limited to the first 12 that sign up. Transportation is provided. Doherty students meet in front of the town offices after school and West Middle students will be picked up promptly after school. Drop-off is at West Middle School at 5 p.m. Cost is \$40 for the four-week

session. Registration forms are available at the DCS or AYS office.

Spring programs on tap

The Youth Services department is ready to bombard the young people of Andover with our own batch of spring programs. Upcoming events and programs are the Andover Snowboard Club trip to the US Open, the Homegrown Film Festival, middle school spring lacrosse, and so much more that it would scare you. Remember to check the *WHAT'S UP* section of the *Townsmen* for information on the spring programs.

National Honor Society prepares for its annual scholarship auction

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High School seniors. The auction also gives the community an opportunity to support the town's youth by helping them to further their education.

This year's auction will include a dessert cabaret featuring sophisticated entertainment by Andover High students. Jay Darrin, Andover High School math teacher, will be the auctioneer. With the support of local business, industries and individuals, we anticipate this year's auction will surpass that of last year. Last year's auction had such different offerings as a case of orthodontia, an autographed

Dallas Cowboys helmet, a used car in prime condition, and Jay Leno memorabilia.

The community is invited to bid on the many interesting items at the live auction, enjoy the selection of sumptuous and elegant sweets, and be entertained by several cabaret acts. In addition, everyone is invited to view and place bids on silent auction items displayed from 1 to 3 p.m.

This fifth annual scholarship auction is expected to be the biggest and best. We are working with the newly formed Andover chapter of Dollars for Scholars to

(Continued on page 22)



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

National Honor Society members at Andover High are preparing for their annual scholarship auction, which will be held Saturday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m. in Old Town Hall. From left (front row) are Janine Givens, senior; Kiram Raman, senior; Andrea Cerniglia, junior; Papri Bhattacharya, senior; (back row) Finnuala Kelleher, senior; Michael Garvin, senior; Matt Wessler, senior; and Jessica Purcell, junior.

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IT'S CHEAPER IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Comparing two states

In 1994, two school systems in the area were faced with burgeoning high school populations expected to reach 1,700 students within a decade. Here is a look at how the two resulting building projects fared.

LONDONDERRY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Proposed: New, 277,000 square-foot high school in Londonderry, N.H.

When: Special School District Meeting, November 1995.

Scope: Build a new 44-classroom high school with a gymnasium, science wing, media center, playing fields, and auditorium. Project includes buying 114 acres of land and constructing a 900-space parking lot. Capacity: 1,700 students. Projected cost: \$28 million.

Result: Defeated at Special School District Meeting.

What happened next: School Department offers four building options at the following March 1996 School District Meeting. Voters approve a \$10.6 million option which includes: adding 32 classrooms to Londonderry Junior High; adding 14 classrooms and science labs to Londonderry High; adding multipurpose rooms

at South and North elementary schools.

Projected completion dates: Londonderry High: January 1997.

Londonderry Junior High School: September 1997.

South and North elementary schools: September 1996.

Start of construction: May 1996.

Current completion dates: Londonderry High finished on time in January 1997.

Londonderry Junior High School on track for September 1997 completion.

South Elementary School finished on time in September 1996.

North Elementary School finished a month late in October 1996.

Current cost: \$10.6 million.

MASSACHUSETTS

Proposed: 85,000 square-foot addition to Andover High.

When: Town Meeting, April 1994.

Scope: Add science labs, new gymnasium, lobby, expand parking by 70 spaces, renovate existing classrooms, rearrange playing fields and add a field. Capacity: 1,700 students. Projected cost: \$26.6 million.

Result: Approved; received needed two-thirds majority vote at April Town Meeting, 1994.

Projected completion date: August 1996.

Start of construction: January 1995.

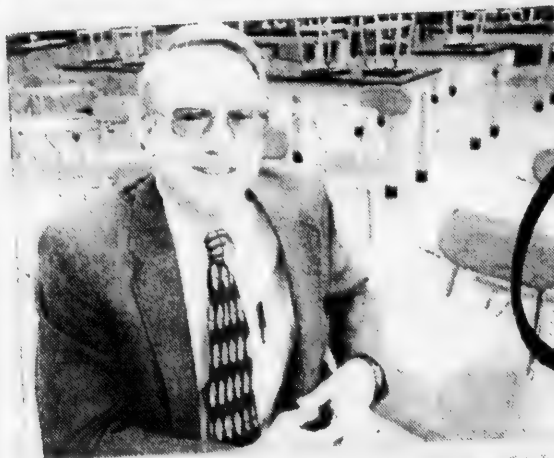
What happened next: Errors with original plans led to early delays. Contractor filed \$1.7 million lawsuit against town and architect in August 1995 citing "unbuildable

plans." Town counter-sues architect. Voters at 1996 Town Meeting pump millions more into the project to cover cost overruns. Stone-Congress drops work force to less than 10 people in July 1996 and town then threatens to call contractor in default. Heavy debris falls into occupied areas from upper floors undergoing construction at least five times. School opens without heat several times in November and December. Principal announces education is being adversely affected by the project. Fumes force evacuation of the school in January. Portable classrooms may be needed during construction is done.

Current completion date: September 1997, more than a year late.

Current cost: \$29 million; \$2.4 million added at 1996 Town Meeting.

Mass. schools cost 50% more



Londonderry, N.H., School Superintendent Richard V. Lates sits in one of the classrooms in the new wing of Londonderry High School.

N.H. law gives local school districts more options in controlling costs

State laws governing school construction are vastly different in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. A look at both shows Granite State taxpayers get the most for their money.

By Anita Perkins and Joan Brown

In Andover, Mass., about the same money will buy just 14 new classrooms and a gym.

Many blame a law meant to prevent abuse of public money with actually driving up the cost of building a school in

Mass. school costs compared, B6

Massachusetts. While no such law on the books in New Hampshire, the process is less costly and simpler.

It cost \$100 per square foot to build a new high school in Massachusetts is \$187 compared to \$105 per square foot in New Hampshire, according to state education officials in both states.

By the same other costs such as taxes, bonded debt, interest and penalties are included the difference has become recently higher.

State and local school officials in Massachusetts blame the complicated bidding law for a myriad of abuses that make

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Sonah Kaleel, a recent graduate of Andover High



Sonah Kaleel

School has been named to the dean's list at the University of Southern California. She is a member of the varsity crew and

a radio DJ intern on the university radio station.

Two Andover residents who attend Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn., have been named to the dean's list with high honors. They are Aaryn Todd Schmuhl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell E. Schmuhl of 32 Bellevue Road, a student in George Peabody College; and Teresa Chia-Wei Wang, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris S. Wang of 6 Acropolis Circle, in the School of Engineering.

Sarah Witham and Heather Curtis, both of Andover, were named to the dean's list at Wheaton College in Norton for the fall 1996 semester.

Ms. Witham, a member of the class of 1997, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Witham. Ms. Curtis, a member of the class of 1999, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Harry Curtis.

Students must earn a grade-point average of at least 3.25 for the semester to make the dean's list.

Amy C. Brand of 8 Lamancha Way has been named to the dean's list at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, in recognition of academic performance for the first semester of 1996-'97.

Seven Andover residents have been named to the dean's list at Boston University for the fall semester. They are Peter B. Bolway, Mona S. El-Sheikh, Laura B. Farr, Lee S. Farr, Julia L. Henderson, Katherine E. Reilly and George R. Vinal Jr.

Andrew J. Ewalt, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ewalt of Andover, was named to the dean's list at Emory College in Atlanta, Ga., for the 1996 fall semester.

William Hickey, son of Nancy Stolberg and William Hickey of Andover, is a first-year student at Earlham College in Richmond, Ind.

Jennifer L. Thomas, daughter of Gregory and Janie Thomas of Andover,



Jennifer L. Thomas

recently joined more than 1,200 delegates from 75 schools across the United States and Puerto Rico at Harvard

University Model Congress. The delegates took on roles of freshman congressmen, seasoned politicians, grass-roots lobbyists and high-profile cabinet members.

Harvard University Model Congress was formed 12 years ago to foster political involvement among high school students.

The Andover High junior

has been named twice to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. She plans to attend the Washington Journalism Conference in Washington, D.C., during spring break as a national correspondent.

Julie A. Marsh and Scott P. Carey of Andover, students at Merrimack College, have been named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

Tara J. Patenaude of Andover, a French and economics and business administration major at Ursinus College in Collegeville, Pa., has been named to the dean's honor list for the fall 1996 semester.

Dganit Shteiyer of Andover received a bachelor of arts degree from Bradford College with a human studies major/psychology concentration/elementary education certification.

The following Andover students were named to the dean's list at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst for the 1996 fall semester: Nikhil A. Bilwakesh of 5 Garfield Lane, Corey Cameron of Phillips, Tamar W. Carroll of 94 Bellevue Road, Peter J. Cookson of 154 High St., Rebecca A. Crispo of 8 Tilton Lane, Brian V. Croteau and Sean Croteau, both of 7 Sweetbriar Lane, Laura E. Diamondis of 11 Rutgers Road, Colleen Giaimo of 18 Countryside Way, Joshua A. Hatch of 18 Launching Road, Amy E. Heislein of 10 Wild Rose Drive, Triet M. Ho of 127 North St., Jennifer M. Kitowicz of 6 Belle Haven Drive, Shannon E. Lee of 27 Bradley Road, Cecilia C. Lim of 4 Blueberry Hill Road, Jason L. Limauro of 2 Cyr Circle, Andrea A. Marino of 9 Spruce Circle, Keith E. Patti of 9 Virginia Road, Peter A.D. Radocchia of 14 Woodland Road, Diana E. Rita of 26 Woodhaven Drive, Christopher L. Schardin of 24 Gavin Circle, Kara M. Stamm of 5 Glenmeadow Road, Amy L. Strube of 18 Wabanaki Way, Amy N. Twohig of 9 Samos Lane, M. Abidh Waugh of 4 Alonesos Way, Christina Y. Wong of 4 Summer St., Holly M. Wright of 10 Bellevue Road and Wenshu Yu of 92 Greenwood Road.

Mark Viola, son of Dave and Carol Viola, has been named to the dean's list at

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, Ariz., for the 1996 fall semester. The junior

aeronautical science major has earned a commercial pilot certificate.

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ON CAMPUS

Melissa Ann Letch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Letch of Andover, was named to the dean's list at Saint Michael's College in Colchester, Vt., for the fall 1996 semester. Ms. Letch is a senior business administration major.

Students who complete a minimum of 12 credits and achieve a grade-point average of at least 3.4 at the end of a semester are recognized for their scholarship by inclusion on the dean's list.

Allison M. Lowrie of Andover, a first-year student at the University of Richmond, made the dean's list for her first term. The 1996 graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy is a member of the university's varsity synchronized swim team.

Her brother, **Weston Lowrie**, made the honor roll for the first term at Holderness School. The sophomore is a member of the school's nordic ski team. He recently spent 10 days in Pennsylvania with the sophomore class working for Habitat for Humanity.

Both students are graduates of Pike School.

Three Andover students at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind., earned academic honors for the fall 1996 semester.

They are **Jennifer Beth Galvin** of

190 Haggetts Pond Road; **Shannon B. Gardner** of 85 Tewksbury St.; and **Timothy Edward Kearns** of 10 Mohawk Drive.

Jason M. Sebell, son of Amy and Mark Sebell of Andover, received the dean's award for academic excellence during the fall semester at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y. The sociology and religion major is a graduate of the Cambridge School of Weston.

Abigail Spieler, a student at Phillips Academy, has qualified as a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program, which recognizes high scholastic achievement. Ms. Spieler is the daughter of Dr. Phyllis Friedberg and Dr. Paul Spieler, both of Andover.

About 7,000 National Merit Scholarship winners will be selected this spring from 14,000 finalists.

Danielle Teves, daughter of Dennis and Adele Teves of Andover, is studying in London this semester with 26 other students from Houghton College in western New York. Ms. Teves was selected to take part in the college's first-year honors program on the basis of her character, extracurricular activities and outstanding academic achievements.

The program integrates history, litera-

ture, philosophy and fine arts into a full semester course. The course outlines western ideas and culture from the ancient Greeks to the 20th century. London's museums, galleries, architecture and theaters provide a rich and dynamic learning environment.

Ms. Teves, a first-year student at Houghton, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester of the 1996-'97 academic year. Students on the dean's list have earned a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher and are carrying full-time course loads of at least 12 credit hours.

Ahmadou Thiam of Andover, a senior

majoring in economics at the University of Rochester, has been named to the fall 1996 dean's list for academic achievement.

The following Andover students at Tufts University in Medford were named to the dean's list:

Kimberly H. Schelling of 30 Avery Lane; **Marc S. Elzweig** of 5 Woodhaven Drive; **Rebecca A. Gordon** of 16 Belknap Drive; **Colin W. MacNaughton** of Phillips Academy, 111 Reservation Road; **Natalie G. Teperdjian** of 224 Chandler Road; **Michael P. Lombard** of 9 Durham Drive; **Ethan M. Krasnoo** of 14 Can-

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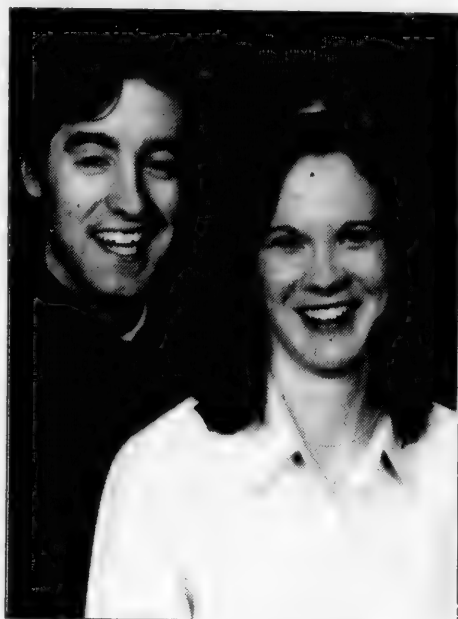
Jesus and Teresa Zamora of San Antonio, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret M., to Samuel H. Stevens, son of Robert D. and Nancy L. Stevens of North Andover.

Ms. Zamora, a graduate of Boston University, is an engineer with EG&G Dynatrend in Cambridge.

Mr. Stevens, a graduate of Brooks School and Dartmouth College, received a master's degree from the College of Business Administration of Northeastern University. He is a product manager with BankBoston.

Mr. Stevens' father is professor emeritus of Michigan State university and his ancestors were textile manufacturers who built M.T. Stevens and Sons.

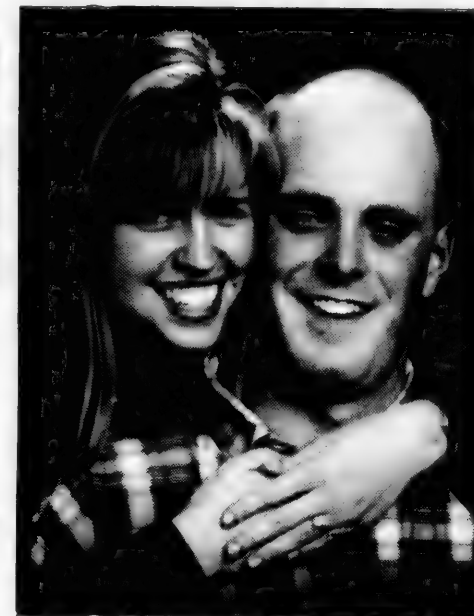
The couple plan a September wedding.



Mark O'Sullivan and Hayley Hanigan



Andrew Shaffer Frost and Kerry Lee Lincoln



Jill Elizabeth Gaunt and Garrette Ferris

Hersee-Morris engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Hersee of Medfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Renee Dawn, to James R. Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Morris of Andover.

Ms. Hersee received a bachelor's degree in music education from the University of Massachusetts Lowell and is a choral music teacher with the Framingham public school system.

Mr. Morris has a bachelor of music performance degree with emphasis in sound recording technology from the University of Massachusetts Lowell.

He is employed by Prophet Sound in Stoughton.

The couple plan a June wedding.

Hanigan-O'Sullivan

Michael and Helen Hanigan of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Hayley, to Mark O'Sullivan, son of Bart and Mary O'Sullivan of Andover.

Ms. Hanigan graduated from Andover High School and received a bachelor of arts degree in 1991 from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. She attends graduate school at the University of California, Berkeley.

Mr. O'Sullivan graduated from Andover High School and received a bachelor of science degree in 1991 from the University of New Hampshire. He is the marketing and advertising manager for Home Energy Magazine in Berkeley, Calif.

The couple plan a June wedding.

Lincoln-Frost

Judith Lincoln of Attleboro announces the engagement of her daughter, Kerry Lee, to Andrew Shaffer Frost, son of Norman and Leslie Frost of Andover.

Ms. Lincoln graduated from Bishop Feehan High School and University of Lowell with a B.S. in accounting.

She is a controller for Boyle Leasing Technologies in Waltham.

Mr. Frost graduated from Andover High School and Union College in Schenectady, N.Y., with a B.S. in economics.

The software designer with IDX Corp. in Boston is a candidate for MBA at Boston University.

The couple plan an Aug. 9 wedding in St. John the Evangelist Church in Attleboro.

Gaunt-Ferris

John and Kathleen Gaunt of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Jill Elizabeth, to Garrette Ferris, son of Daniel and Susan Ferris II of Andover.

Ms. Gaunt and Mr. Ferris are graduates of Andover High School and Essex Agricultural and Technical Institute. She is a hairdresser and he is employed by the Andover Fire Department.

The couple plan a June wedding.

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tography, entertainer Jon Mansfield, Paper Potpourri, Zadelvision videography, SG Entertainment Agency, Nowlan Photography and Wedding Chronicle.

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ON CAMPUS NEWS

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cate for single and multi-engine land planes, a flight instructor certificate and an instrument flight instructor certificate. A student must maintain a minimum 3.50 grade-point average to be named to the dean's list.

Undergraduate students with grade-point averages of 3.0 or better who are in the top 20 percent of their classes have been named to dean's lists at the schools and colleges of the

University of Vermont.

Andover residents listed for the fall 1996 semester are **Nicole Beauregard**, a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences; **Katherine A. Chabot**, a first-year student in the School of Natural Resources; **George S. Coburn III**, a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences; **James B. Cronan**, a sophomore in the School of Natural Resources; **Brian P. Luti**, a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences; **Jennifer L. Schapira**, a fresh-

man in the College of Arts and Sciences; and **Kathryn C. Wepsic**, a first-year student in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Amanda Loris Wilson of Andover was named to the dean's list at the University of Maine in Orono, Maine, for the 1996 fall semester.

Joseph W. Gillam, formerly of Andover, recently made his debut with the renowned Erick Hawkins Dance Co. in New York City.

Erick Hawkins was the first American student of George Balanchine's School of Ameri-

can Ballet and the first male dancer in Martha Graham's company. He was presented with the National Medal of Arts Oct. 14, 1994, six weeks before he died at the age of 85.

Lucia Dlugoszewski, a composer who began collaborating with Mr. Hawkins in 1953 and is now the company's artistic director, discovered Mr. Gillam and brought him into the company.

Mr. Gillam was awarded a full scholarship to the Hawkins School last summer when he was in residence at the American Dance Festival.

"His performing potential was marked by a gift for form,

something very important to Hawkins choreography," the company noted. "This earned him a debut role in... *Cantilever Two*."

The piece was performed Feb. 18-23 at The Sylvia & Danny Kaye Playhouse at Hunter College of the City University of New York.

The son of Cdr. and Mrs. Harold R. Gillam of Holt Road began his dance training at the University of Washington/Seattle, where he received a B.A. in dance, and spent a year in Canada training at the Royal Winnipeg Ballet School as a recipient of the David Peregrine Memorial Scholarship.

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

Breakfast Circle, healthy breakfast and guest speaker Dr. Rejit Sood, gastroenterologist, Sutton Hill Nursing & Retirement Center, Route 114, North Andover, 9-10:30 a.m. \$1; 688-1212.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

Author talk, two-time breast cancer survivor Perry Colmore, author of the recently-released book *Living With Breast Cancer* and editor of the *Andover Townsman*, will talk about her experiences with cancer and sign copies of her book, *Living With Breast Cancer*; sponsored by Renee Burke, a social worker who runs the hospital's breast-cancer support group, 7 p.m.

Artist talk and exhibition at the Andover Historical Society

The Andover Historical Society will present an artist talk and exhibition by Ed Parker Saturday, March 22, at 4 p.m. in the first talk in this year's Contemporary Andover Artist Series. The title of the exhibit is "Traditions in Americana: Paintings and Illustrations." The presentation will cover how Mr. Parker changed from being a successful illustrator to an artist, what his life is like now and where he gets ideas for paintings. The event is \$2 for members, \$4 for non-members. A reception will follow the talk. For more information, call 475-2236. The society is located at 97 Main St.

Beverly Hospital lecture hall, 85 Herrick St., Beverly, wheelchair accessible; Perry Colmore 475-1943.

Forum, sponsored by Council on Aging, on the importance of voting at Town Meeting this year, speakers Buzz Stapczynski, town manager, Randy Hanson, town clerk, James Doherty, town moderator, 9 a.m. Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court; 623-8321.

Ain't Misbehavin', presented by Lowell Memorial Auditorium and Mill City Management, sponsored by the Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank, tickets on sale at the Auditorium Box Office; 937-8688.

Comedy Palace, featuring Vinnie Favorito and Lindy Hong, Grill 93, River Road, 8 and 10:30 p.m. shows, cover charge \$10; 1-800-TO-LAUGH.

Godspell, presented by Ruth's House, a jubilant family-style musical based on the Gospel of St. Matthew, directed by Mar Ciaraldi and his acting company, The Borderline Players, 7 p.m., 14 Stevens St., Haverhill; 521-5575.

Community Shabbat dinner, Temple Beth El, services will begin at 6:15 p.m., dinner will follow, 105 Princeton Boulevard, Lowell Highlands; Amy Degen (508) 453-7744.

Art exhibit and auction, fundraiser sponsored by Middlesex Community College Mental Health Club, International Student Club and Health Services Office, refreshments, 6-9:30 p.m. \$7.50, Middlesex Community College Lowell Campus Cafeteria, Kearney Square, Lowell; (508) 656-3236.

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

Wood-grained picture framing, part of the craft workshops with Christine Bobek, graphic artist, materials included, Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 10 a.m.-noon, \$25; 475-2236.

Master aerobic class, sponsored by Silverado Athletic Club, 10-12 Main St., to raise money for research on AIDS and related cancers for the City of Hope National Medical Center, 8:30-10 a.m.

Shamrock Luncheon, hosted by the Holy Family Hospital Auxiliary, all proceeds benefit the Cancer Management Center at Holy Family Hospital; at La Chandelie Restaurant, Route 28, Methuen, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m., \$20 per person; 687-0156 Ext. 4023 or Ext. 2172.

St. Patrick's dinner dance, Saint Robert Bellarmine Parish Knights of Columbus, Parish Hall, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, 6:30-midnight, donations are \$25 per couple, \$15 per person; 683-8922 or Dawn Vecchi 851-4627.

Corned beef and cabbage supper, two seatings, 5 and 6:30 p.m. \$8 adults, \$3.50 children under 11, toddlers free, West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, church office Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Corned beef and cabbage supper, \$7.50 adults, \$3.50 children under 12, \$20 family, 5-6:30 p.m. First United Methodist Church, 57 Peters St., North Andover; 682-5305.

Concert, sponsored by New Moon Coffeehouse, Atwater Donnelly, performers of many instruments, will perform Celtic ballads, American folk, sea shanties, dance tunes and original work, \$10, Universalist Unitarian Church, junction of Routes 110 and 125, Haverhill; (508) 373-9259.

"Lowell's Irish Heritage," join a ranger on a tour of "The Acre," Lowell's original Irish immigrant neighborhood, and visit historic St. Patrick Church, 1 p.m. Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; (508) 970-5000/970-5002.

Comedy Palace, see entry under (Continued on page 24)

National Honor Society plans annual auction

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maximize the value of scholarship monies awarded to Andover High seniors. The national Dollars for Scholars program has developed collegiate partnership programs that allow students to benefit from the scholarship money they receive rather than reducing the amount of their financial aid package. Dollars for Scholars also matches money earned through selected grants from industry.

AYS dance benefits Afarian Memorial Scholarship Fund

Andover Youth Services will sponsor a Youth Benefit Dance Saturday, March 22, from 8-11 p.m. at Old Town Hall. There will be music by DJs Mart and Mac, refreshments, door prize and a raffle. Admission is \$5. Proceeds will benefit the Peter M. Afarian Memorial Scholarship Fund. For information, call Bill Fahey at 623-8241.

We are asking for the help of the entire community to make this event a huge success. Students will be soliciting items for the auction from local businesses. The National Honor Society is also looking individuals who would like to contribute by donating auction items or by baking elegant desserts.

If you can contribute tickets to special events, antiques, interesting collections, a weekend away or a used car that runs, it would be most appreciated. Contact any member of the National Honor Society; or Janine Givens at 475-7705, Papri Bhat-tacharya at 470-2754 (co-chairpersons of the auction), or Ruby Easton at 623-8602, if you can help in any way.

Tickets for the cabaret/auction will go on sale in late March. We hope that you will be in the audience to help this worthy cause.

► For more information about WHAT'S UP, call Bill Fahey, Andover Youth Services coordinator, at 623-8241; or Jack Grady, Townsman assistant editor, at 475-1943.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 20

Meeting, Village Garden Club of Andover will feature topiary workshop, refreshments, 7:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall, West Parish Church, Reservation Road.

The Yeomen of the Guard, Andover resident Carl Weggel appears in the Sudbury Savoyard's production of the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, 8 p.m., \$12 adults, \$9 seniors and students, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School, 390 Lincoln Road, Sudbury; (508) 443-8811.

Women Writers in Modern Literature, sponsored by the Humanities Division of Bradford College, readings by poet and novelist Suzanne Matson, Alumni Room, Hemingway Library; (508) 372-7161, Ext. 5340.

Idaho, Alaska, a world premiere play presented by Bradford College Creative Arts Series, \$5, \$4 students and seniors, 8 p.m. Denworth Hall, South Main St., Bradford;

(508) 374-0076.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21

Wizard of Oz, presented by Merrimack Junior Theatre, \$8 adults, \$6 children and

seniors, 7:30 p.m. Doherty Middle School Auditorium; Corinne Gediman 475-3422.

Godspell, see entry under Friday, March 14.

Casino night, sponsored by Andona Society, silent auction, 50/50 raffle, gambling games, music, hors d'oeuvres, 8 p.m.-midnight, \$20 in advance,

\$22 at door, Ramada Hotel Rolling Green, Lowell Street; Liz Burdeau 475-9067.

Storytelling, by Marcia

Estabrook as the character of Beatrix Potter, 7 p.m. Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; (800) 491-0143.

Comedy Palace, featuring Frank D'Amico and Orny Adams, Grill 93, River Road, 8 and 10:30

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The Andover High School Drama Guild held auditions Feb. 12-13 for its spring musical *Into the Woods*.

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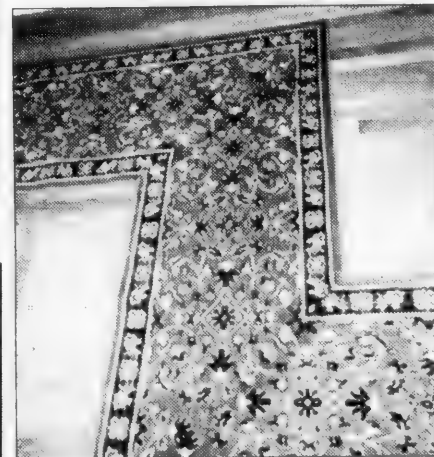
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Friday, March 14.

Piano concert, sponsored by Friends of Reading Public Library, 8 p.m. Reading Public Library, 64 Middlesex Ave., Reading.

Pasta supper, 4-6 p.m. \$4 adults, \$2 children under 12, Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 321 South Broadway, Lawrence.

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

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ski, parking area at the junction of Jenkins and Harold Parker roads, 1:30 p.m.; Dave Doub 470-3703.

An American Concert, presented by the Indian Hill Symphony Orchestra, church at Merrimack College, North Andover, \$12, \$6 students and seniors, 3 p.m.; Kathlessn Mushow 837-5000 Ext. 4360.

"A Walk in the Acre," Explore "The Acre," Lowell's original Irish immigrant neighborhood; 1 p.m. Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; (508) 970-5000 or 970-5002.

Watercolor demonstration by Paul George, 2 p.m., North Parish Church, North Andover.

Benefit concert, by Merrimack Valley Suzuki Strings to benefit Partners in Development, which raises funds to support Haitian children, 3 p.m. \$6, \$4 students and senior citizens, First Church, Congregational of Boxford, Georgetown Road; (508) 887-3682 or 685-7844.

MONDAY, MARCH 17

Auditions, Wakefield Repertory Theatre production of *Side by Side* by *Sondheim*, 7:30 p.m.,

Wakefield High School Lecture Hall, 60 Farm St., Wakefield; (617) 246-8386.

TUESDAY, MARCH 18

Bookreading, by Ann Harleman, author of *Bitter Lake* and *Happiness*, 7 p.m. Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; (800) 491-0143.

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evening of Irish music, sponsored by the Daily Grind Coffeehouse, 8 p.m. \$7 adults, \$5 students with ID, \$3 children, \$15 family, half of proceeds donated to charity, First United Methodist Church, 57 Peters St., North Andover; 681-7555.
Idaho, Alaska, see entry under Thursday, March 20.

SUNDAY, MARCH 23

Wizard of Oz, 2 p.m. See entry under Friday, March 21.

Hike in Salem, Mass. through old New England town, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, meet at 12:30 p.m. at municipal parking lot on Main Street, Andover, to car pool or

at 1:30 p.m. at National Park Visitor's Center, corner of Essex and New Liberty Streets, Salem; Fred Snell 686-3637.

Concert, Treble Chorus of New England and Dresen Philharmonic Kinderchor, 4 p.m. Methuen Memorial Music Hall, 192 Broadway (Route 28), Methuen; \$12 adults, \$8 students and seniors; Treble Chorus office 837-5461.

MONDAY, MARCH 24

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SATURDAY, MARCH 22

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Town Hall, Main Street; Bill Fahey 623-8241.

Ham and bean supper, to benefit Neighbors In Need, \$5 adults, \$3 children, \$15 family of four or more, South Church, 41 Central St., Paintings by Ed Park-

er, artist talk and reception, 4 p.m., \$5 members, \$8 non-members, Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St.; 475-2236.

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Garden party auction, sponsored by Central Catholic Parents Guild,

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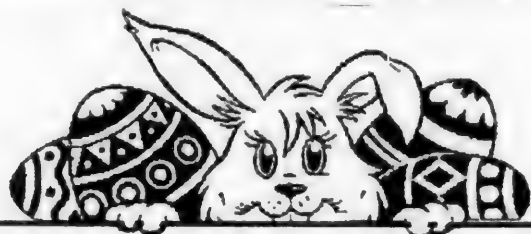
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OBITUARIES

Mary Ruth Garvin

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and interested in philosophy and had acquired computer skills.

Her family said she was a very religious person who pursued mind, body and education vigorously.

Members of her family include her daughter and son-in-law, Nana and Dan Dunn of Andover; sons, Bill Garvin of Costa Mesa, Calif., and his wife, Doris Garvin, and Terry Garvin of Plano, Texas; grandchildren, Catherine and Michael Calder of Methuen, Susan and Brian Raymond of Ayer, Richard and Christine Dunn of Methuen, Christopher Dunn of Andover, Kelly and David Austin of Huntington Beach, Calif., Lance Cpl. Brian Garvin of Camp Pendleton, Calif., and Bryde Jo Garvin of Balch Springs, Texas; great-grandchildren, Jessica and Paul Raymond, Lauren Calder, Drew Dunn, Trevor Austin and Holly Love.

A funeral service was held Tuesday at 6 p.m. at John Breen Memorial Funeral Home in Lawrence.

Politimi Sgouveakos Active at Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Church

Politimi Sgouveakos, 92, of Lawrence died Monday, March 10, at Lawrence General Hospital after a short illness.

ness.

Mrs. Sgouveakos was born in Demonio, Laconia, Greece. She came to Lawrence in 1970 to join her five children.

She was a homemaker who enjoyed knitting and crocheting.

She was active in Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church and was a member of its Philoptohos Society "ELPIS."

Members of her family include her sons and daughters-in-law, Chrisanthos and Anna Sgouveakos of Athens, Greece, and Dimitrios and Maria Sgouveakos of Salem, N.H.; daughters, Maria Perdicogianis of Lawrence, Matina Iraclidis of Salem, N.H., Dimitra Kelekis of Lawrence and her husband, Hristos Kelekis, and Eugenia Karko, also of Lawrence, and her husband, Tony Karko; brother, Leonardis Perdicogianis; sister, Georgia Tsigounis, both of Demonio, Laconia, Greece; 10 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was the widow of George Sgouveakos.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, March 11, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Farrah Funeral Home, 170 Lawrence St., Lawrence.

A funeral service will be held today, Thursday, March 13, at 10 a.m. in Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church. Burial will be in Bellevue Cemetery in Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 71 Chandler Road, Andover, 01810.

Everett Wells Formerly of Andover

Everett Wells, 81, of Redington Beach, Fla., and formerly of Andover, died Monday, March 10.

Born in Methuen, he moved to Florida in 1983 following his retirement.

Mr. Wells studied interior decorating at the Taylor Institute in New York City and then worked in the decorating department at Lord & Taylor. Later, he owned and operated his own decorating business in Boston.

He was a long-time manager for an international fabric firm and his territory included New England, New York and Eastern Canada.

Mr. Wells served in the Army during World War II.

He was a member of the North Andover Country Club and an honorary member of the Lanam Club of Andover.

Members of his family include his wife of 17 years, Sylvia H. Wells; son, Alan R. Wells of Vail, Colo.; daughter, Jennifer M. Cooke of Andover; and two grandchildren, Evan and Kelly Cooke, both of Andover.

Burial will be at a later date in Andover. Arrangements are by Anderson-McQueen Funeral Homes, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Joseph Cardella Worked for the John Hancock Insurance Co.

Joseph Cardella, 94, of Andover died Tuesday, March 11, in Newport Beach, Calif., while visiting his daughter and son-in-law, Regina Fodor and Lawrence Whelan.

Mr. Cardella worked 38

years for the John Hancock Insurance Co. He enjoyed the early years of his retirement in Rockport, Mass., and liked traveling in Europe.

Mr. Cardella was a lifetime member of the Elks.

Using his strong memory for details, Mr. Cardella contributed to the Immigrant City Archives a living history of his memories of the first quarter century and of historic events in the city of Lawrence.

He was the father of the late Rosalie Cardella Edwards of

Rockport.

Members of his family include his sister, Matilda Clegg of Lawrence; brothers, Samuel Cardella of Lawrence, and James Cardella of North Hampton, N.H.; four grandchildren; and eight nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be announced.

Memorial contributions may be made to the scholarship fund of his late daughter, Rosalie Cardella Edwards, at the Rockport National Bank, P.O. Box 90, Rockport, Mass. 01966.

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OBITUARIES

John Joseph McArdle Jr., M.D. Andover school physician

John Joseph McArdle Jr., M.D., 80, of Andover died Friday, March 7, at Lawrence General Hospital.



John Joseph
McArdle Jr.,
M.D.

Dr. McArdle was born Sept. 15, 1916.

He graduated from Lawrence High School in 1934, from the College of the Holy Cross in 1938, and from New York University School of Medicine in 1942.

Dr. McArdle was a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps on the Battleship *Texas* from 1943 to 1946. He served in European and Pacific Theaters, notably in the invasion of Normandy, Southern France, Okinawa and Iwo Jima.

For years he was a public and parochial school physician in the town of Andover and was a member of the staff of Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of his family include his wife of 51 years, Nancy (Burns) McArdle of Andover; children, Nancy Schofield Worthen and her husband, Frederic Paine Worthen Jr., of Newnan, Ga., John Joseph McArdle III and his wife, Joan Creamer McArdle of Reading, Susan McArdle and her husband, David Koelle, M.D., of Seat-

tle, Wash., and Peter Sheridan McArdle of North Hampton, N.H.; a sister, Anne (McArdle) Hintlian; and three grandchildren, Frederic Paine Worthen III, Sarah Mills Worthen and Samson Jonathan Koelle.

A funeral Mass was said Monday at St. Augustine Church at 10 a.m. Burial was private.

Memorial contributions may be made to Schepens Eye Research Institute, 20 Staniford St., Boston, Mass. 02114.

William S. Port Was a research chemist

William S. Port, 77, of Lake Worth, Fla., died Friday, March 7, at Hospice at Palm Beach County.

Mr. Port was born in Brooklyn, N.Y.

He lived in Andover for more than 25 years before moving to Florida three years ago. He also had a residence in Falmouth for many years.

Mr. Port graduated from the City College of New York and earned a master's degree in science at Iowa State University.

He was employed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and was a research chemist with AVCO Co. in Lowell.

Members of his family include his wife, Shirley (Goldberg) Port of Lake Worth, Fla.; sons, David Port of Denver, and Samuel Slarkey of Littleton; daughter, Ilene Karnow of Andover; sister, Rose Port of New York; and four grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Sunday at Temple Emanuel Cemetery in Lawrence.

Arrangements were by Goldman-Fisher Funeral Chapel of Malden.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Forrest T. Sullivan Sr. Andover school custodian

Forrest T. Sullivan Sr., 88, of Andover died Thursday, March 6, at his home after a long illness.

Mr. Sullivan was born in Lawrence. He moved to Haverhill as a child and was educated there.

He was a shoe cutter in Haverhill and Lawrence. In more recent years, he was a custodian in Andover schools until he retired.

Mr. Sullivan served on minesweepers while in the Navy during World War II and became an expert in the disablement of water mines and Japanese booby traps.

He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and a former member of Lawrence Lodge of Elks BPOE.

He belonged to St. Mary Parish in Lawrence.

Members of his family include his wife of 62 years, Bridgit L. (Ring) Sullivan of Andover; sons, James R. Sullivan of Richmond, Va., and Dr. Forrest T. Sullivan Jr. of Springfield and his wife, Crystal Sullivan; daughters, Marsha N. Sullivan of Cambridge, Cynthia Wollock of Derry, N.H., and Deborah Pike of North Hampton, N.H.; brothers, Jerry Sullivan of Westford and Patrick Sullivan of Haverhill; sister, Catherine Perry of Naples, Fla.; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were private.

Arrangements were by American Cremation Society Inc.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary Church, 300 Haverhill St., Lawrence, Mass. 01840.

David T. Williams Former resident, AHS grad

David T. Williams, 44, of Sandown, N.H., died Sunday, March 9, at his

home after a brief illness.

Mr. Williams was born in Woodstock, New Brunswick, Canada. He had lived in Sandown for seven years. He was a former resident of Salem, N.H., and Andover.

Mr. Williams graduated from Andover High School and Sylvania Technical Institute.

He was a property manager for Region 10 in Atkinson, N.H., for several years.

The motorcycle enthusiast was a member of the BMW Motorcycle Club.

Members of his family include his wife, Sandra A. (Licciardello) Williams; daughter, Julie Williams, and son, Evan Williams, all of Sandown; parents, Harold T. and Betty F. (Saunders) Williams of Derry, N.H.; brothers, Daniel E. Williams of Derry, N.H., and Brent A. Williams of Londonderry, N.H.; sisters, Ruth D. Hunt of Virginia and Megan Thayer of Salem, N.H.; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A memorial service was held Wednesday in St. Matthew United Methodist Church in Sandown. There were no calling hours.

Arrangements were by Peabody Funeral Homes of Derry and Sandown.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Matthew United Methodist Church, North Main Street, Sandown, N.H. 03873.

Mary Ruth Garvin Avid bridge player, reader, had acquired computer skills

Mary Ruth (Isett) Garvin, 80, of Laguna Beach, Calif., died Friday, March 7, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mrs. Garvin was born in Philadelphia, Pa., and educated at St. Luke Grammar and High schools in Glenside, Pa.

She was an avid bridge player and reader

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Deaths Elsewhere

CONTARINO - Lucy Contarino, 96, of Methuen died Wednesday, March 5, at Colonial Heights Healthcare Center in Lawrence.

Members of her family include a daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Salvatore Santangelo of Andover.

COYLE - Joseph J. Coyle, 92, of Lawrence died Tuesday, March 4, at Hannah Duston Nursing Home in Haverhill.

Members of his family include his sister, Mary Scanlon of Andover.

GRIMLEY - Edward J. Grimley Sr., 81, of Lawrence died Sunday, March 9 at Prescott House Nursing Home in North Andover.

Members of his family include his daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Robert Mirisola of Andover.

HEFFRON - Isadore "Izzy" Heffron, 84, died Wednesday, March 5, at Hannah Duston Nursing Home in Haverhill.

Members of his family include his brother, Milton Heffron of Andover.

LETOURNEAU - Rose O. (Ouellet) Letourneau, 91, of Lawrence died Wednesday, March 5, at Bethel Health Care Center in Bethel, Conn.

Members of her family include her son, Dr. Roger A. Letourneau of Andover.

PERRY - Bradley J. Perry, 41, of Boston, died Tuesday at the Boston Medical Center.

Members of his family include his parents, Theresa J. (Martin) Perry of Andover and the late Theodore C. Perry.

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Salaries account for 91.5% of police budget

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difficult not to focus on the salaries when they constitute so much of the whole.

The combined incomes of the 10 highest-paid officers exceeded \$1 million last year, calendar year 1996. That's equivalent to 30 percent of the department's total personnel costs for next year, and 27.5 percent of the entire department budget.

Four members of the department were each paid more than \$100,000 in calendar year 1996. Six more had

time and \$18,682 in detail pay. Lt. Ricci was second with a total of \$103,489 including a \$59,624 salary, \$22,222 in overtime and \$21,643 for details.

The increases over six years amount to 12.4 percent for Lt. Avery and 16.8 percent for Lt. Ricci. Those compare to about a 12 percent increase in the personnel budget for the depart-

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incomes between \$90,000 and \$100,000, and another six were between \$80,000 and \$90,000.

Top earners

Chief Johnson was paid \$100,906 in calendar year 1996, but was only the fourth highest paid member of the department. Top earner in the department was Lt. Arthur Ricci at \$120,863. He was followed by Lt. Stephen Avery with \$117,002, Sgt. Kevin Winters at \$104,225, and the chief.

Lt. Ricci's pay included a little more than \$26,000 in overtime and \$13,000 in detail pay. (It also included \$5,500 in retroactive pay from the police contracts having been settled during the year.)

Lieutenants Ricci and Avery switched places in the salary rankings from where they were six years ago, the last time the *Townsmen* printed salaries of town employees. At that time, for calendar year 1990, Lt. Avery was high-earner with \$104,092, including \$64,963 salary, \$20,447 in over-



Police Chief James Johnson, not the highest paid police officer in town.



Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski has cut the overtime budget for next year.



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ment over that same time period. The entire department budget increased just under 11 percent during that time. (The Fiscal '90 figures do not include cost-of-living increases since police at that time had been working without a budget. The FY'98 figures include the retroactive pay from the most recent contract settlement.)

Overtime for officers

Overtime for police officers accounted for nearly \$487,000 in calendar year 1996, yet only \$379,000 was budgeted for the officers for this year, FY'97, and the town manager has asked for only \$352,000 for next year.

Andover's 350th Anniversary Celebration last year boosted the amount of overtime for police officers, Chief Johnson told selectmen last week. In his budget request, the chief dropped the amount of overtime for police officers next year by \$7,000 from what was budgeted this year. Buzz Stapczynski, town manager, took that a step further and dropped it a total of \$27,000. This is despite the high overtime last year and a nearly \$300,000 increase in the amount requested for regular wages next year.

About half the requested increase in regular wages reflects contracts having been settled this year. The retroactive pay for contract settlements was about \$150,000 in calendar year 1996. The balance of the increase for next year is due mostly to salaries for new positions added in the past 12 months.

Those positions include the reappointment of Sgt. Thomas Siopes and the addition of his projected salary to the budget.

Another three officers - Glen Ota, Timothy M. Hagerty and Robin L. Hinchliffe - started work for the department in calendar year 1996. Since they did not work the full year, and since their full salaries are included in the projections for next year, that would account for more of the requested increase for next year. A fourth new

Andover Police Department top wage earners for calendar year 1996

Title/Name	Regular	Misc	Holiday	Overtime	Retro	Detail	Total
Chief							
James Johnson	96,871.32		4,035.13				100,906.45
Lieutenants							
Enos, Richard W.	74,818.72	1,527.40	3,390.04	7,222.67	4,625.28		91,584.11
Avery, Steven C.	72,245.17	3,524.27	3,276.64	23,827.39	5,546.82	8,583.75	117,002.04
Froburg, Phillip E.	78,467.16	1,000.00	3,556.56	1,534.32	4,272.74	2,310.00	91,140.78
John P. Houlihan	81,047.04		3,672.72	517.56	4,485.20		89,722.52
Lynch J. Kevin	60,962.96	824.16	2,762.40	22,904.81	4,611.38	4,270.00	96,335.71
Ricci, Arthur J.	71,480.94	1,270.60	3,239.36	26,062.33	5,544.95	13,265.00	120,863.18
Lieutenant totals	439,021.99	8,146.43	19,895.72	82,069.08	29,086.37	28,428.75	606,638.34
Sergeants							
Miller, George W.	58,281.54	818.64	2,641.92	21,631.56	4,786.96	7,796.25	95,956.87
Bernhardt, John F.	59,359.12	820.84	2,680.88	19,870.26	4,677.43	1,540.00	88,948.53
Connolly, Barbara E.	55,671.90	1,013.32	2,523.60	3,279.00	3,552.85		66,040.67
Hashem, James D.	58,498.32	3,990.84	2,659.44	20,638.42	4,655.40		90,442.42
Pattullo, Brian J.	58,626.85	119.68	2,656.75	15,499.17	4,422.04	350.00	81,674.49
Siopes, Thoms F.	36,575.99	369.16	1,442.24	4,994.73	3,633.24	2,336.25	49,351.61
Winters, Kevin J.	58,509.76	1,108.24	2,456.64	19,189.65	8,646.34	14,315.00	104,225.72
MacKenzie, Wm. K.	48,101.08	172.02	2,180.64	19,591.65	3,979.23	4,550.00	78,575.52
Sergeants total	433,624.56	8,413.64	19,242.11	124,694.44	38,353.38	30,887.50	655,215.83
Top five paid patrol officers							
Burke, Kevin	52,059.37	848.88	2,153.28	16,249.33	3,098.40	11,305.00	85,714.26
Edson, Richard M.	46,416.28	96.40	2,099.47	13,267.56	2,652.49	17,080.00	81,612.20
Heseltine, Charles E.	46,376.55	97.92	2,065.97	21,954.95	2,593.94	20,527.50	93,616.83
Pathiakakis, John N.	44,351.58	91.12	2,027.39	18,840.94	2,658.36	15,015.00	82,984.39
Reilly, James S.	44,068.47	91.52	1,993.20	16,846.50	2,561.64	13,938.75	79,500.08

* Sgt. Siopes was reinstated and promoted to sergeant after winning a court case vs. the town last year. He was awarded a \$65,000 settlement, and earned an additional \$10,843.31 as a dispatcher last year.

officer, Daniel Leonard, just hit the streets this year and his salary is also now included in the projections for next year.

Andover's 49-member police force includes the chief, six lieutenants, eight sergeants, four detective patrol officers and 30 uniform patrol officers. Two of the new officers replaced officers David Grant and Richard Aumais, both of whom retired in January 1996.

Dispatchers

Public safety dispatchers, who work for both the police and fire department, also worked significant overtime hours in 1996.

The 10 regular dispatchers were paid nearly \$63,000 in overtime. That is just about what was budgeted for the current fiscal year and about \$2,000 less than the amount being set aside for next year for overtime.

Wanda Batchelder, dispatch supervisor, was the highest paid dispatcher in calendar year 1996. She had a total pay of \$57,811, including a \$39,252 salary, \$13,743 in overtime, \$2,447 in

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retroactive pay and \$2,369 miscellaneous and holiday pay.

The next highest paid dispatcher was more than \$9,000 less. The total pay for each of the other full-time dispatchers ranged between about \$34,000 and \$48,000.

Total pay for dispatchers for calendar year 1996 was about \$400,000, just what was budgeted. The town manager is asking to increase that to \$445,933 next year. Most of the difference would cover the wage hikes agreed to in the recent contract settlement.

Police and dispatcher contracts run through June of 1998.

70,348 hours of overtime

Andover town employees were paid \$2,034,845 for 70,348 hours of overtime in calendar year 1996.

The police department accounted for 14,902 of those hours and \$553,661 of the pay.

Another 22,020 hours were logged by the Department of Public Works for \$527,872.

Municipal Maintenance accounted for 8,455 hours and \$192,801 in compensation.

But the fire department had the largest piece of the overtime pie with 23,192 hours and \$716,826.

The remainder of the overtime was spread throughout the other town departments.

Schools seek a new grades 5-8 middle school

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build another substantial construction project. He's said he believes the schools had little say, and at times little information, from the town's School Building Committee during the current round of construction.

"I have grave reservations that this whole management process be looked at," he said. "Because the people in the town I don't think are going to stand for (another project) unless the town and the town manager make some changes."

Ms. Dalton said she is looking at alternatives to Mr. Neal's option, but she could not be specific regarding what she was exploring. She said the option was not under the school system's control and could not be ready for this Town Meeting.

Both Mr. Willey and Ms. Dalton cautioned Mr. Neal he'll have trouble selling the need for a new middle school because of the problems with the Andover High construction.

Andover schools are seeking \$200,000 at April Town Meeting

to fund preliminary architectural drawings of the new 5-8 middle school.

Mr. Neal said he believes those involved with the High School construction have learned what should be done differently.

"The needs of the school system are there and they're great and they're going to be there five years from now," said Mr. Neal.

"I wouldn't underestimate the depth of the anger for what's gone on at the High School," warned Ron Hill, of Abbot Street, at Tuesday's meeting.

Mr. Hill said if proponents don't show what they've learned from the High School project "in very specific terms, I think you're going to get a drubbing."

New 5-8 school

Mr. Neal said he had several reasons for selecting the option to build a new middle school for grades 5 through 8. He believes the school will house about 850 students.

Among the reasons is that a new school will mean construction will not take place at an

occupied school building.

A new 5-8 school will also be eligible for 60 percent reimbursement from the state, provide the greatest amount of flexibility for future change, and allow for "a full complement of non-core classrooms," said Mr. Neal.

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Mr. Neal said he thinks the town should

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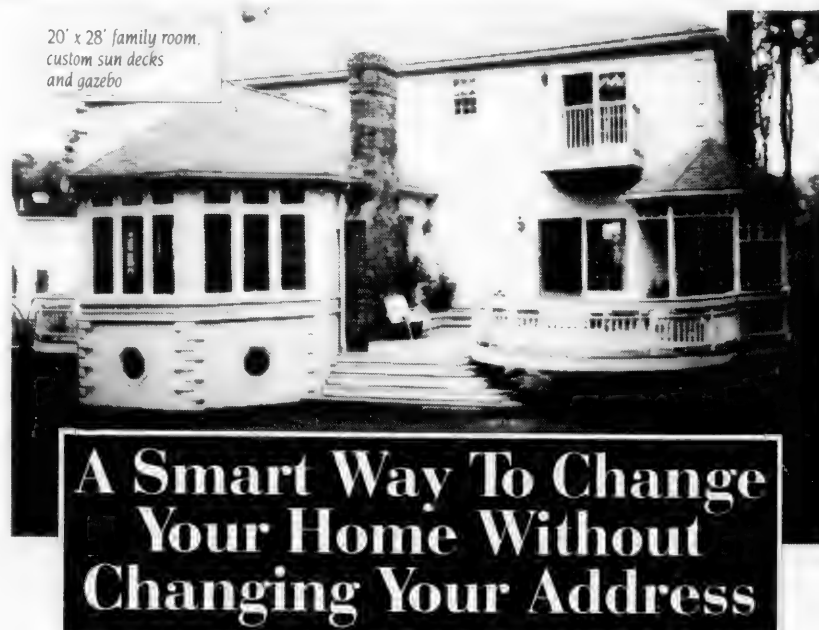
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difficult not to focus on the salaries when they constitute so much of the whole.

The combined incomes of the 10 highest-paid officers exceeded \$1 million last year, calendar year 1996. That's equivalent to 30 percent of the department's total personnel costs for next year, and 27.5 percent of the entire department budget.

Four members of the department were each paid more than \$100,000 in calendar year 1996. Six more had

time and \$18,682 in detail pay. Lt. Ricci was second with a total of \$103,489 including a \$59,624 salary, \$22,222 in overtime and \$21,643 for details.

The increases over six years amount to 12.4 percent for Lt. Avery and 16.8 percent for Lt. Ricci. Those compare to about a 12 percent increase in the personnel budget for the depart-

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incomes between \$90,000 and \$100,000, and another six were between \$80,000 and \$90,000.

Top earners

Chief Johnson was paid \$100,906 in calendar year 1996, but was only the fourth highest paid member of the department. Top earner in the department was Lt. Arthur Ricci at \$120,863. He was followed by Lt. Stephen Avery with \$117,002, Sgt. Kevin Winters at \$104,225, and the chief.

Lt. Ricci's pay included a little more than \$26,000 in overtime and \$13,000 in detail pay. (It also included \$5,500 in retroactive pay from the police contracts having been settled during the year.)

Lieutenants Ricci and Avery switched places in the salary rankings from where they were six years ago, the last time the *Townsmen* printed salaries of town employees. At that time, for calendar year 1990, Lt. Avery was high-earner with \$104,092, including \$64,963 salary, \$20,447 in over-



Police Chief James Johnson, not the highest paid police officer in town.



Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski has cut the overtime budget for next year.



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ment over that same time period. The entire department budget increased just under 11 percent during that time. (The Fiscal '90 figures do not include cost-of-living increases since police at that time had been working without a budget. The FY'98 figures include the retroactive pay from the most recent contract settlement.)

Overtime for officers

Overtime for police officers accounted for nearly \$487,000 in calendar year 1996, yet only \$379,000 was budgeted for the officers for this year, FY'97, and the town manager has asked for only \$352,000 for next year.

Andover's 350th Anniversary Celebration last year boosted the amount of overtime for police officers, Chief Johnson told selectmen last week. In his budget request, the chief dropped the amount of overtime for police officers next year by \$7,000 from what was budgeted this year. Buzz Stapczynski, town manager, took that a step further and dropped it a total of \$27,000. This is despite the high overtime last year and a nearly \$300,000 increase in the amount requested for regular wages next year.

About half the requested increase in regular wages reflects contracts having been settled this year. The retroactive pay for contract settlements was about \$150,000 in calendar year 1996. The balance of the increase for next year is due mostly to salaries for new positions added in the past 12 months.

Those positions include the reappointment of Sgt. Thomas Siopes and the addition of his projected salary to the budget.

Another three officers - Glen Ota, Timothy M. Hagerty and Robin L. Hinchcliffe - started work for the department in calendar year 1996. Since they did not work the full year, and since their full salaries are included in the projections for next year, that would account for more of the requested increase for next year. A fourth new

Andover Police Department top wage earners for calendar year 1996

Title/Name	Regular	Misc	Holiday	Overtime	Retro	Detail	Total
Chief							
James Johnson	96,871.32		4,035.13				100,906.45
Lieutenants							
Enos, Richard W.	74,818.72	1,527.40	3,390.04	7,222.67	4,625.28		91,584.11
Avery, Steven C.	72,245.17	3,524.27	3,276.64	23,827.39	5,546.82	8,583.75	117,002.04
Froburg, Phillip E.	78,467.16	1,000.00	3,556.56	1,534.32	4,272.74	2,310.00	91,140.78
John P. Houlihan	81,047.04		3,672.72	517.56	4,485.20		89,722.52
Lynch J. Kevin	60,962.96	824.16	2,762.40	22,904.81	4,611.38	4,270.00	96,335.71
Ricci, Arthur J.	71,480.94	1,270.60	3,239.36	26,062.33	5,544.95	13,265.00	120,863.18
Lieutenant totals	439,021.99	8,146.43	19,895.72	82,069.08	29,086.37	28,428.75	606,638.34
Sergeants							
Miller, George W.	58,281.54	818.64	2,641.92	21,631.56	4,786.96	7,796.25	95,956.87
Bernhardt, John F.	59,359.12	820.84	2,680.88	19,870.26	4,677.43	1,540.00	88,948.53
Connolly, Barbara E.	55,671.90	1,013.32	2,523.60	3,279.00	3,552.85		66,040.67
Hashem, James D.	58,498.32	3,990.84	2,659.44	20,638.42	4,655.40		90,442.42
Pattullo, Brian J.	58,626.85	119.68	2,656.75	15,499.17	4,422.04	350.00	81,674.49
Siopes, Thoms F.	36,575.99	369.16	1,442.24	4,994.73	3,633.24	2,336.25	49,351.61*
Winters, Kevin J.	58,509.76	1,108.24	2,456.64	19,189.65	8,646.34	14,315.00	104,225.72
Mackenzie, Wm. K.	48,101.08	172.02	2,180.64	19,591.65	3,979.23	4,550.00	78,575.52
Sergeants total	433,624.56	8,413.64	19,242.11	124,694.44	38,353.38	30,887.50	655,215.83
Top five paid patrol officers							
Burke, Kevin	52,059.37	848.88	2,153.28	16,249.33	3,098.40	11,305.00	85,714.26
Edson, Richard M.	46,416.28	96.40	2,099.47	13,267.56	2,652.49	17,080.00	81,612.20
Heseltine, Charles E.	46,376.55	97.92	2,065.97	21,954.95	2,593.94	20,527.50	93,616.83
Pathiakakis, John N.	44,351.58	91.12	2,027.39	18,840.94	2,658.36	15,015.00	82,984.39
Reilly, James S.	44,068.47	91.52	1,993.20	16,846.50	2,561.64	13,938.75	79,500.08

* Sgt. Siopes was reinstated and promoted to sergeant after winning a court case vs. the town last year. He was awarded a \$65,000 settlement, and earned an additional \$10,843.31 as a dispatcher last year.

officer, Daniel Leonard, just hit the streets this year and his salary is also now included in the projections for next year.

Andover's 49-member police force includes the chief, six lieutenants, eight sergeants, four detective patrol officers and 30 uniform patrol officers. Two of the new officers replaced officers David Grant and Richard Aumais, both of whom retired in January 1996.

Dispatchers

Public safety dispatchers, who work for both the police and fire department, also worked significant overtime hours in 1996.

The 10 regular dispatchers were paid nearly \$63,000 in overtime. That is just about what was budgeted for the current fiscal year and about \$2,000 less than the amount being set aside for next year for overtime.

Wanda Batchelder, dispatch supervisor, was the highest paid dispatcher in calendar year 1996. She had a total pay of \$57,811, including a \$39,252 salary, \$13,743 in overtime, \$2,447 in

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retroactive pay and \$2,369 miscellaneous and holiday pay.

The next highest paid dispatcher was more than \$9,000 less. The total pay for each of the other full-time dispatchers ranged between about \$34,000 and \$48,000.

Total pay for dispatchers for calendar year 1996 was about \$400,000, just what was budgeted. The town manager is asking to increase that to \$445,933 next year. Most of the difference would cover the wage hikes agreed to in the recent contract settlement.

Police and dispatcher contracts run through June of 1998.

70,348 hours of overtime

Andover town employees were paid \$2,034,845 for 70,348 hours of overtime in calendar year 1996.

The police department accounted for 14,902 of those hours and \$553,661 of the pay.

Another 22,020 hours were logged by the Department of Public Works for \$527,872.

Municipal Maintenance accounted for 8,455 hours and \$192,801 in compensation.

But the fire department had the largest piece of the overtime pie with 23,192 hours and \$716,826.

The remainder of the overtime was spread throughout the other town departments.

Schools seek a new grades 5-8 middle school

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build another substantial construction project. He's said he believes the schools had little say, and at times little information, from the town's School Building Committee during the current round of construction.

"I have grave reservations that this whole management process be looked at," he said. "Because the people in the town I don't think are going to stand for (another project) unless the town and the town manager make some changes."

Ms. Dalton said she is looking at alternatives to Mr. Neal's option, but she could not be specific regarding what she was exploring. She said the option was not under the school system's control and could not be ready for this Town Meeting.

Both Mr. Willey and Ms. Dalton cautioned Mr. Neal he'll have trouble selling the need for a new middle school because of the problems with the Andover High construction.

Andover schools are seeking \$200,000 at April Town Meeting

to fund preliminary architectural drawings of the new 5-8 middle school.

Mr. Neal said he believes those involved with the High School construction have learned what should be done differently.

"The needs of the school system are there and they're great and they're going to be there five years from now," said Mr. Neal.

"I wouldn't underestimate the depth of the anger for what's gone on at the High School," warned Ron Hill, of Abbot Street, at Tuesday's meeting.

Mr. Hill said if proponents don't show what they've learned from the High School project "in very specific terms, I think you're going to get a drubbing."

New 5-8 school

Mr. Neal said he had several reasons for selecting the option to build a new middle school for grades 5 through 8. He believes the school will house about 850 students.

Among the reasons is that a new school will mean construction will not take place at an

occupied school building.

A new 5-8 school will also be eligible for 60 percent reimbursement from the state, provide the greatest amount of flexibility for future change, and allow for "a full complement of non-core classrooms," said Mr. Neal.

This means the new school will allow space at other middle and elementary schools to have appropriate art, music and physical education space.

Mr. Neal said he thinks the town should

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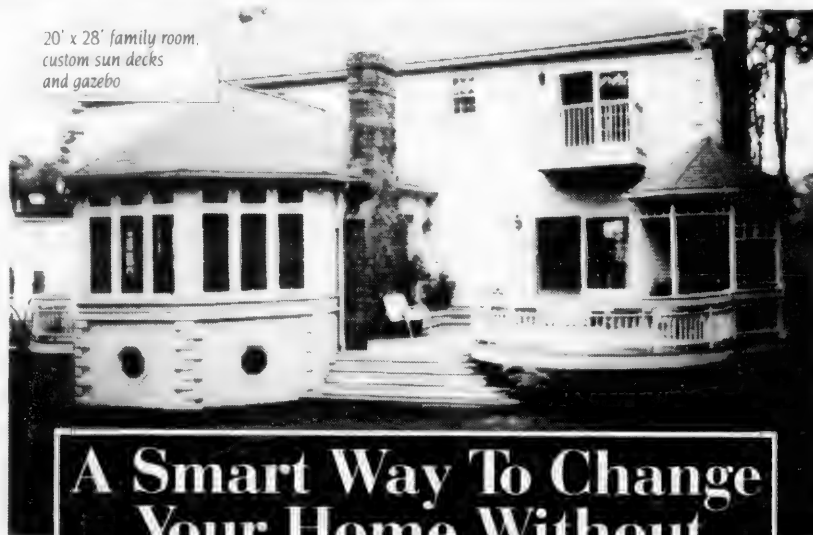
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Architect claims Andover High project does not have an 'uncommon' amount of mistakes

By Neil Fater

Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates, the architect for the Andover High School construction project, claims the number and cost of mistakes at the Andover High site is not unusual for a project of that size.

"For the complexity of the project, no," spending more than \$2.6 million to fix unexpected problems is not a lot, said David Soleau, principal architect in charge.

Andover has run out of contingency money — the money set aside for unexpected problems — twice during the High School job. School officials aired their frustration Tuesday night because the town's School Building Committee had removed another \$100,000 from the furniture and equipment budget to restock the contingency fund. Although the project is close to 90 percent complete, three of the project's six phases remain to be done.

Mr. Soleau said the architects were simply too optimistic regarding their original projections for how much contingency money would be necessary.

But Stone-Congress, the contractor, paints a different picture, claiming \$2.6 million or more is a lot to pay to fix problems. Stone-Congress points to Mead Consulting's January report that says 44 percent of these changes are because of "omissions" and 21 percent are due to "phasing" as proof the archi-



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

David Soleau, principal architect in charge of the AHS building project, during Monday's interview with the *Townsmen*.

tect is responsible for the cost overruns. The architect is responsible for designing the plan and for phasing, designing the order in which work will be done during the project, said the contractor.

But David Croteau, the architect's project manager, said the 44 percent in

omissions is really only a small percentage of the entire construction project. It's only about 5 percent of the total construction cost, he said.

"Five percent of the project is omissions. That's not high," said Mr. Croteau. "We're 95 percent right."

In addition, the architect said if

there were significant problems with its plan then one of the four contractors bidding on the job would have noticed it during the six weeks they had to review the documents.

In response, Bill Nicholson, president of Congress Construction, one-half of Stone-Congress, said, "The bidder is not responsible to assume that the blueprints are wrong."

As for phasing changes, the architect has several explanations why the project has fallen behind schedule.

First, the architect indicated some phasing was changed because of the town's strict standards aimed at guaranteeing people's safety at the site. For instance, the architect said although the architect planned its blasting schedule in a way that's normally acceptable for a school construction project, Andover wanted to take further precautions.

"The town has constantly put the occupants of the Andover High School first. There have been many issues that have come up that have threatened the school and the health of the occupants," said Mr. Croteau.

"There's a difference between guarantee and taking reasonable precaution," said Mr. Croteau, regarding the blasting issue.

Another issue out of the architect's control was the surprise existence of a

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Safety officer hired for AHS project, at \$1,000 a week

By Don Staruk

A new staffer at the Andover High School will help protect students from straying further than they should and possibly getting themselves into trouble. But his main job is to keep the contractors who are working on the High School construction project from straying into the occupied areas of the school building and putting the students in danger.

Selectmen Monday night approved the town manager's appointment of John J. Calnan as a construction safety observer working for the town. He started work Tuesday as "the eyes and ears" for the town on the job site, according to Buzz Stapczynski, town manager.

"I felt that the town must take action for the safety of the students who are using the building," Mr. Stapczynski told board members.

Mr. Calnan's job is at least in part a response to concerns regarding safety at the school that were expressed by parents after a series of mishaps and close calls related to the construction work during the last few months.

"It will be paid for through the school building contract," Mr. Stapczynski told selectmen of the new position.

Mr. Calnan will be paid \$25 an hour,

or \$1,000 a week, to watch what is happening. He will not have the authority to actually tell anyone at all what to do.

"He has no authority except to recognize a problem and notify the appropriate town official," Mr. Stapczynski said.

That official may be the fire department deputy chief, the building inspector, health director or other town official.

Selectmen chairman James Barenboim said he feared that, due to the lawsuit the contractor has filed against the town, this extra charge for Mr. Calnan's position could get thrown back in the town's lap.

Mr. Stapczynski said that according to the contract, Stone-Congress, the contractor, was supposed to have a safety officer on site, but that has not been the case. Mr. Stapczynski said he recently learned there hadn't been a safety officer on the site for a month. He said he repeatedly asked Stone-Congress in the past several weeks to assign a safety officer to the site, but that the contractor failed to do so. Their response, he said, was that their superintendent on the job was the safety officer, Mr. Stapczynski told selectmen.

Mr. Stapczynski said Mr. Calnan's

pay will be deducted from the contractor's bill each month since his position should be their expense.

Mr. Barenboim and Selectman Larry Larsen also expressed concern about the need for the position when there is already a handful of town officials visiting the site daily. They said they thought that was already the job of Michael McCormick, of Mead Consulting, the town's consultant on the job.

"It's hard to understand why we need another set of eyes and ears just to look for safety concerns and report them back to someone," Mr. Barenboim said.

Mr. Stapczynski said that while it is true that Mr. McCormick's job is to be the town's watchdog for the project, he also has several other duties that don't allow him to have the presence on the site that Mr. Calnan will have.

"I just don't understand how one more person is going to help the situation," Mr. Barenboim said. He and Dr. Larsen also questioned why Mead doesn't supply this person on the site and whether that isn't the responsibility for which they are paid.

But Selectman Charles Wesson said he understood that this position was a response to the parental concerns

regarding safety and that if Stone-Congress wasn't going to address that concern then the town should.

Mr. Calnan has several years experience in all phases of commercial construction, according to the town manager. He will report to Joe Piantadosi, town facilities director in the Municipal Maintenance Department.

Mr. Calnan is a temporary worker and will only be on the job as long as the town manager deems it necessary to have him there. That may be a few months, two years or however long it takes to complete the work that could endanger students, teachers and others at the school. He will probably work from about 6:30 a.m. until 2:230 p.m. every day. That way he will be there early enough to see who and what equipment is going into the building, Mr. Stapczynski said. Since students are in school about 36 weeks a year, it is likely Mr. Calnan would receive about \$36,000 a year in pay if he is needed for that time.

When asked how much longer he expects the High School project to take, Mr. Stapczynski told selectmen he did not know. He and other officials involved are in the process of working out the phasing and haven't yet worked out a new schedule, he said.

Architect:

'Difficult to get cooperation, almost from Day One'

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"We've been told not to call them, not to speak with them, to put everything in writing."

In response, Stone-Congress said Tuesday it needs written communication of changes to assure everyone is on the same page, with the same information.

"We've had problems with verbal communications on the job. It's been our experience that verbal communications have consistently led to misunderstandings on this job, and written communications, in a complex and problem-laden project, have become necessary to protect all parties," said Bill Nicholson, president of Congress Construction, one-half of Stone-Congress. "Quite candidly, if a question is put in writing and answered in writing — even if it's in an informal communication like a fax — you have a good record of it."

Architects said on most projects, an architect and contractor can verbally resolve minor construction issues and quickly move forward.

In addition, in other projects, the two sides often sit down and work collaboratively to figure out how much it will cost to fix larger problems, the architects said.

But Mr. Flansburgh and his project architects said "a normal kind of dialogue with the craftsmen on the job" is missing from the Andover High project.

Stone-Congress has submitted more than 900 requests for information to clarify issues relating to the construction documents. Stone-Congress says it has to do this because there are so many problems with the plans. But the architect indicates many of Stone-Congress' questions are about small issues that could have been handled verbally.

"It takes us a phenomenal amount of time to deal with these things in writing," said Mr. Soleau.

The Andover High School project is hundreds of days behind schedule and the town has spent more than \$2.7 million on changes.

No collaboration

In addition to insisting on receiving everything in writing, the architect said the contractor has refused to help re-phase the project (see related story) and refused to negotiate the price of changes with them. The architect said it has never before run into a contractor who refused to negotiate the price of change orders.

Change orders are the documents construction people use when the contractor, architect and town all agree on the price something should cost. Flansburgh + Associates said it has had to direct the contractor to perform work throughout the project, by using construction change directives, the sign that negotiations have failed.

"In normal work you can sit down with a contractor and negotiate a change," said Mr. Soleau. "That has

been not possible with this contractor since June, 1995."

The architect said that since Stone-Congress filed its \$1.7 million lawsuit against the architect and the town, there has been little give and take.

Although Stone-Congress said last week the town would get the best value if it tried to negotiate one lump sum to pay for groups of changes, the architect said when it asked Stone-Congress for a cost estimate on all the changes to phase 3 of the project, Stone-Congress took more than 160 days to respond.

When the contractor did respond, it listed inflated costs such as \$6,000 to remove six tack boards and two blackboards, said the architects. In addition, by the time the response was returned, there was not enough time left to negotiate and the architects had Stone-Congress do the work and charge the town for time and materials used.

Mr. Nicholson, of Stone-Congress, said Stone-Congress took so long to respond because of all the changes that had already been made to the phase 3 design.

"The drawings were a quilt of changes. It does take much longer to estimate a series of changes," he said. "It was widespread. There were bubbles (indicating needed changes) all over the place. So instead of just counting windows, counting doors, counting bricks and sticks, you have to add and subtract changes. It takes time. And my question is, why couldn't it have been designed accurately to begin with?"

Lawsuit mark-up

Another issue the architects from Flansburgh addressed during their lengthy interview Monday related to the \$1.7 million lawsuit.

David Croteau, Flansburgh's project manager, said that for each change to the project, Stone-Congress is given 5 percent of the change's cost for overhead and profit. Because there have been more than \$2.6 million in changes, Stone-Congress has received about \$130,000 for overhead and profit.

Mr. Croteau said part of the 5 percent is supposed to pay for project management costs. However, he said nearly all of the \$1.7 million lawsuit is for project management.

"Stone-Congress has been paid \$2.6 million with 5 percent, but that's not enough. Stone-Congress seeks another \$1.7 million to manage those changes," said Mr. Croteau. "They've also been granted what we consider reasonable extensions of time to perform that work."

Mr. Croteau indicated a contractor could not possibly need \$1.7 million to oversee \$2.6 million worth of changes.

But the contractor said although a significant amount of the original \$1.7 million may have been for project management, not all of the costs were. "We have a lot of work that we did under dispute, under protest," said Tom Silva, project manager.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

"Quite frankly, in my more than 30 years of experience in projects all over the world, we have never run into a contractor entity who spends so much time with paper and so little time with trying to get the job built," Earl Flansburgh, owner of the architectural firm, said Monday during an interview with the *Townsmen*.

Time for 'generalissimo'

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the town.

"My worry about the present structure is the (managers) are very good at data collection," said Dr. Larsen. "We might benefit from some problem-solvers, and some aggressive problem-solvers."

Dr. Larsen said his suggestion is not a sign that he has a lack of confidence in Buzz Stapczynski, town manager.

"I think it's more of a commentary on the overall management style, which whenever a project goes sour may require a different approach. I don't think anyone would argue this project has done sour," said Dr. Larsen. "I've said it to him (Mr. Stapczynski) and I'd like to say it to the community."

Dr. Larsen said the town manager's reaction was "neutral" when he was approached about the idea by Dr. Larsen and Barry Finegold, state representative, some time ago.

Dr. Larsen wants to see Mr. McQuade and Dr. Seifert work "as a team because they have a lot of respect for each other and are very good at problem-solving," he said.

"Together they would be a team where the public would feel we're getting the best we can here," said Dr. Larsen. "One of our big problems is simple public trust."

"The public, I think, feels powerless and when people feel powerless they want some kind of action," he said.

Dr. Larsen, who is up for re-election March 24, said he did not decide to make this suggestion because of the school's effort to build a new middle school, but because so many people he has talked with while campaigning have expressed their frustration.

He called Mr. McQuade "a problem-solver par excellence," and said "Ken Seifert always proved himself to be a very aggressive manager and he's a friend of education."

Dr. Larsen said he talked with Dr. Seifert about the idea "months ago in passing and he indicated he would certainly think about it." Dr. Seifert and Mr. McQuade could not be reached for comment on deadline Wednesday.

Mr. Nicholson also noted much has changed since the lawsuit was first filed, and thus so has the lawsuit.

"Since the lawsuit was filed, other costs have come up, including project

management costs," said Mr. Nicholson. "It (the suit) will be revised and it will be significantly higher than \$1.7 million, but it's not all project management costs."

LETTERS

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on and off the basketball court. All the girls are a credit to their school and the community.

Barbara O'Sullivan
Andover

Frank Eccles: A lifelong educator

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The town of Andover has a tremendous opportunity to raise the quality of our schools by electing Frank "Skip" Eccles to the School Committee on March 24. As a lifelong educator with experience in both public and private schools, Skip brings a clear vision for excellence in education and will be a strong addition to Andover's school system.

Skip's number-one priority is to "strengthen the quality of Andover school education." In talking with Skip, we are very confident he has the background and accomplishments to do this. He will bring strong academic credentials including a BS from Princeton and a master's degree from Harvard. He also brings years of experience as a faculty member at Phillips Academy where he was a math teacher, residential dean and supervised PA's academic program as dean of studies. He served as a board member of the Andover ABC program and was an executive board member for the Partners in Education, which coordinates the efforts of volunteers in Lawrence's public schools. He is also an accomplished author of math textbooks and articles.

Skip's next priority is "to encourage high school teachers to raise their academic expectations for students." As a teacher's teacher he has succeeded in motivating his fellow educators through a wide variety of accomplishments. He is the founder and a director of the Andover/Dartmouth Institute, a unique program bringing inner-city public high school math teachers together from 10 US cities to improve teaching skills. He taught public high school math teachers through a National Science Foundation program and is a board member of the Trout Foundation, which funds innovative projects for teachers.

His commitment to community service through his volunteer activities is extensive. Skip volunteered as the Student Internship Programs director, a Project Charlie volunteer at Storrow Elementary School and a Habitat for Humanity volunteer. In addition, he is the founding director of the Family Health Centers student internship program for Lawrence High School students.

Perhaps even more important than his credentials and significant accomplishments is Skip's intellectual integrity and interpersonal skills to

help unite the School Committee and work with other important organizations in town. We feel this will improve the quality of education that our children need and deserve.

We are very confident he will dedicate the time necessary to help lead our school system and will bring a proven track record as an educator and public servant. As parents of children in the Andover school system, we hope you will join us in helping to elect Frank "Skip" Eccles.

Peter and Wendy Cowie
Todd and Dominique Davenport
Salem Street

Larry Larsen is visible and approachable

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Later this month the citizens of Andover have an opportunity to elect the leaders who will serve them until the turn of the century. Over the next three years, Andover faces a number of major decisions, the outcome of which will shape our community for many years.

We are especially fortunate that Larry Larsen is seeking re-election. Larry brings to the Board of Selectmen that rare combination of an ability to look beyond the crises of today to create the vision of tomorrow, while making the tough decisions that our leaders must act upon, yet doing so with a touch of humility and fairness. Whether initiating a vision statement and chairing the Andover at 400 committee, to initiating the "our town" summer youth employment program to the tax voucher program giving seniors a \$500 tax break in return for helping out a town department, Larry Larsen has demonstrated the creative and thoughtful leadership skills Andover needs.

Larry is visible, approachable and open to new ideas. As a business person, he understands the importance of keeping our downtown healthy and diverse and being responsive to the concerns of the business community. Both personally and professionally, Larry understands the needs and desires of our youth and seniors, working to address them in a fiscally prudent yet responsive manner.

I strongly support Larry Larsen for selectman and urge others to re-elect Larry on March 24.

David E. Floreen
12 Smithshire Estates

Another vote for Larry Larsen

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing to encourage the voters of Andover to vote to re-elect Dr. Larry Larsen to the Board of Selectman. My affiliation with Larry spans many years. Larry has devoted endless hours to develop work programs as well as community housing options for people with mental retardation. He has helped

families develop successful local non-profits to enrich the lives of people with special needs.

Larry is a person full of innovative ideas that can be utilized to preserve Andover as a thriving community well into the future. As a selectman in Andover, Larry Larsen has worked diligently to represent the interests of all taxpayers. He is a public servant in the true sense. As a senior citizen, I am confident that Larry will continue to support the initiatives for a senior center as well as property tax relief for retirees and seniors. In addition, Larry was a founding member of the Friends of Andover Youth Board, a proponent of summer youth employment programs providing summer employment of up to 70 young people and a supporter of the creation of a youth-community center.

As a clinical psychologist, businessman, publisher and selectman, Larry has the background, training and experience to continue to guide and lead the town of Andover into the future. I urge all voters to vote for Dr. Larry Larsen for selectman, he is a man of compassion, experience and vision.

Rosalie Ruggiero
7 Gleason St.

Sue Jenkins: Committed to Andover

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am a lifelong resident of Andover and my son, Dana, ran a restaurant and catering business in downtown for many years. One of my son's frequent customers was Susan Jenkins. Sue always made it a point to bring friends by or to have a good word about Dana's restaurant.

I was very happy to read that Susan is a candidate for the Board of Selectmen. She is very committed to this town and has a lot to offer. There have been a lot of changes to the downtown area, some for the better and some not, but one thing I know is that Sue Jenkins will always be a friend to me and my town. It is nice to have an opportunity to support her.

Ethel Wilson
88 Lowell St.

Brian Major: Young, energetic, sincere

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I first met Brian Major about four years ago when he and my wife were appointed as adult advisers to the Andover Youth Council. Over these last four years, I've gotten to know Brian and the ideals he stands for. He is young, very energetic, sincere, and dedicated.

I was really pleased when he announced he was going to run for selectman; Andover needs new and innovative ideas, which Brian will bring to the Board of Selectmen.

As I've learned, Brian always keeps

his sights on target. When he made decisions on the Andover Youth Council, he kept other considerations in mind, too. When the new van was appropriated for the youth at the last special town meeting, Brian was the one who proposed it be made available for the elderly people in town as well.

Brian is willing and able to take on the tough issues; his enthusiasm and new ideas will definitely help Andover over the tough issues we face today. As he said to a group the other day, it is time to convert our issues to a "win-win" situation by openness and more public involvement up-front on these tough issues.

It is obvious to me, as it should to you, that Brian Major is just what Andover needs to move forward into the 21st century; he is truly "a man for our times".

Ted Georgian
11 Lovejoy Road

John Hess has careful listening skills

Editor, *Townsmen*:

On March 24 we will cast our vote for John Hess, candidate for the one-year term of the Board of Selectman. Our friendship and respect for John goes back to the mid-'70s when he moved to Andover. We have always been impressed with John's careful listening skills and his willingness to bring his time and talents in actively supporting the agencies and organizations that affect the quality of life of the community. The town of Andover is fortunate to have a man of his integrity and concern willing to serve.

Margot and George Bixby
25 Abbot St.

Responds to column on religion

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Response to Religion: why don't we talk about it?

On the Friday before your column, President Clinton made a statement and an appeal to the country to double the adoption rate. Back in 1996 my wife, Pat, and I moved back to Andover. We had two children and wanted to continue our taking in of foster children. Soon we had three. We knowingly asked for older children from tough family upbringings.

Andover's school system and the state's DSS group provided care and support. The undergirding of our outreach came from James. The first chapter shares that when you are struggling with how to show that God and Christ are real in you, you can help widows and orphans. Within six years we had adopted the three into our family and lives. As our children all started to become teens we found that we and the town were unable to deal with all the many crises. I would like to report that

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Other side to the AHS story

Last week we heard the contractor's side of the problems with the Andover High School building project. This week the architect tells his story:

We heard about how changed personnel – school principal and superintendent – can mean some changes to the project, which costs money.

We learned from the architect that the contractor refuses to negotiate changes unless they're put in writing. In other words, the contractor and the architect don't talk with one another each day on the job. When issues arise, say the architects, "they don't get resolved; they get turned into paper(work)."

The architect says the contractor "refused" to help the architect rephase the project unless the contractor was paid \$17,000 to do the research on how much it would cost to do Phase 4 before Phase 5.

We heard that it is the contractor's job, not the architect's, to protect property and the public on the job. And so on.

It's time to let go of figuring who's at fault. The courts will do that when the project is finished. Right now we should focus on answering two questions:

- How are we going to finish the project?

- What have we learned from the AHS debacle and, therefore, what would we do differently with a middle-school project?

You did us proud!

Even though Monday's Andover High basketball game against Braintree at the Fleet Center was a heartbreaker, let's not forget the AHS young women came into that game 24-0. That was a remarkable accomplishment by these talented students.

Don't forget that the team will be back again next year, with only Susie Tully having graduated. Congratulations to coach Jim Tildsley, and to all the players. We're psyched for next year!

And by the way. Where were the cheerleaders?

AHS project: Let's get back on track

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Question: What's the difference between a Cub Scout troop and the warring factions involved in the renovation of Andover High School? Answer: Adult supervision.

The finger-pointing and legal maneuvering of the warring parties is giving a bad name to adulthood and setting a bad example for our children. It is apparent that lots of people have made mistakes. But no one appears willing to admit it or do something positive to get things back on track.

Can't any of these people – contractors, architects, town officials et al – admit to mistakes and begin working together for the sake of the children we are responsible for educating?

Many of the reported remarks are self-serving and insulting. Consider:

- Building contractors: Why did they follow plans that would clearly embarrass them and a waste of taxpayers' money – doors that lead to nowhere, stairways that don't need replacing, a flagpole that no one can access. Aren't contractors supposed to be able to read plans and determine if they are sound?

- Architects: Who's the supervising architect? Shouldn't he or she be able to see a flawed plan for what it is? If something is flawed, shouldn't it be corrected before it gets out the door?

- Project managers: Who is managing the High School building project? If they have been managing poorly, why haven't they been replaced?

- The Andover town manager: Is not Mr. Stapczynski ultimately in charge of overseeing the management of the building project? If Stone-Congress has been "agitating" since 1995 about stopping work and having plans redesigned, as he complains, why hasn't Mr. Stapczynski listened and acted? It doesn't matter what the contract says about work stoppage if the parties involved agree to amend a contract for the sake of the greater good. It appears that millions of Andover's (our) dollars have already been squandered. The contractors are by no means blameless, but some of their questions and concerns are valid.

- The Board of Selectmen: The buck has to stop here. Its members are the town's representatives. Where have they been and what have they been doing during the past sev-

LETTERS

eral years while the high school building project has continued to worsen? Why have they been silent? One would expect a loud outcry from some, if not all, of those we voted to represent us. And one would expect some action.

At this late date, one can only hope that someone will begin acting responsibly. We need the warring parties to step up and act like responsible adults, acknowledge mistakes, seek mediation and sit down and iron out difference to salvage the project.

I believe we in Andover want to spend our money on construction, not destruction. And litigation in this case means destruction because litigation will serve only to destroy our hope for a decent school building for our children.

I urge the adults and young adults of Andover to speak out and exert pressure on those involved in the Andover High School building project – town officials, selectmen, contractors, architects, project managers, building committee, et al. Lobby them to keep focused on getting the project completed, encourage them to do whatever it takes to get the warring factions to work together.

Sean Gresh
1 Chapman Ave.

Raising questions about our town

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I hope this letter will serve as an open one to the candidates running for Andover selectman. What do you think, candidates? Please answer to the *Andover Townsmen* editor:

- Senior Center/Teen Center: Why has there been very little discussion of a community center? If this is something we need and can afford, why haven't both parties worked together to come up with a plan that would serve the whole community not just one group?

How about integrating the proposed center with the new field-house/High School facilities? We have millions of dollars worth of facilities now. How can we use them better and save construction costs?

- Taxes: In the past six years our taxes have increased over 70 percent with no improvements made to the house, and it's not a big house – the kid's play structure is almost as big. I read in Dr. Larsen's column weekly that it is the job of the parents to set

limits for their children. Isn't this also a good description of a selectman's job for the town? Yet our selectmen are rarely against any spending plan. They don't even follow the advice of their own Finance Committee when they recommend against increased spending. So in light of the tax increases we've already had, what do you think of the \$54,000 for an airboat, \$400,000 for vehicle replacements and 46 new town employees in one year that the town manager has approved for spring town meeting?

- School building: Why not portable classrooms? I have seen them used in other states and the students and teachers like them. They add a campus-like aspect to the school which the kids like and they are nice and inexpensive (about \$15,000 each) or about \$20 a square-foot versus \$500 a square foot like our High School addition. Granted, they are not permanent but neither are school populations which grow and shrink as our permanent facilities cannot.

- Growth: I read monthly about surrounding towns' discussion and voting on growth limits. What is the progress on the growth study we allocated money for at the fall Town Meeting? Will it be ready for spring Town Meeting? Will the selectmen support their own planning department's articles instead of not even allowing a vote and pulling them as at last town meeting?

- Town meeting: With the miserable attendance at the nighttime meetings, what do you think about Saturday meetings?

Last, to the Andover Townsmen: What happened to the listing of all town employees' salaries that used to be printed? How about publishing this before spring meeting and also a listing of the town employees benefit packages?

Pat D'Ambra
109 Jenkins Road

Cheering the AHS cheerleaders

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As the mother of a senior who has recently finished his basketball season at the High School, I would like (to say) the Andover High cheerleaders (did a) terrific job during the last three months.

They brought school spirit and enthusiasm to every game and were always cheerful, courteous and polite

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Responding to column

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all ended well. We all made an effort, but for the most part the adopted ones have become more like their real parents. Yet, I can see even now a tremendous desire and effort to break the early learning.

That Sunday before your column, our minister, Allen Koop, shared his message from the last chapter of Romans on grace. Grace is the central theme of the Bible. Grace is God acting in goodness to the undeserved. Through God's amazing grace we are adopted as one of his. As I reflect back onto our adoptive experience, I can better understand how I, adopted by God, can continue to stray from his desire and his instructive word, the Bible. Yet, I would rather be true to his calling of me.

Your call for talking about religion brought about my desire to share the above. Thank you for the challenge. I agree that many have hid their light from God under a basket. What you want to do with this, I can not imagine.

Don Sorrie
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Teens need a meeting place

Editor, *Townsman*:

As a former resident of Andover, and as I quite regularly visit there, read your paper, would like to comment on several deeply disturbing things that have happened to the town over the last few years. It would seem that the town has set its course on automatic pilot, gone to sleep and blinds itself to its responsibility to foresee and prevent the rot

that can only increase when ignored or shelved.

Sometime ago *The Boston Globe* saw fit to print an article that dealt with Andover's unusually high rate of teen-age suicide. Andover teen-agers need and deserve a meeting place, one that's under reasonable supervision, having a skilled, trained and caring person to help with their teen problems. Such a place has long been promised yet nothing has been done to meet such promises with the exception of the railroad station coffee shop (a place well removed from the rest of the town). How can the Old Town Hall remain empty for years? It is an ideal place for teens, but not where the adults would care to have them I expect. Andover senior citizens want to treat themselves to a \$3.5 million new building in some far-out place. Their present location is ideal.

The incident of the girl's clothing in the public school was beyond being ridiculous. When are three cruisers and a motorcycle cop needed to remove a young girl from school grounds in handcuffs? Was the Army Reserve put on standby?

Lastly, the new school fiasco. Who chose the architect and who the contractor? Were one or both permitted to work without supervision? Was the project permitted to continue until its own incompetence stalled it? How can a \$35,000 flag pole not work?

Now the good news. How refreshing to see a town paper doing its job of attempting to rouse sleeping citizens of the town's deeply disturbing problems that can only be solved by an informal responsible caring and awake members of the town of Andover.

James McClellan
44 Fellows Road
Ipswich



Photo by Don Staruk

Contractor, Andover Equity Builders, Ken LaRose, president, has this sign for building plans on the lot at the corner of Essex and Brook streets.

Wrong building for Essex and Brook

Editor, *Townsman*:

Having at one time lived in Andover, starting in the 1940s, I have strong feelings about the appearance of the town. For this reason I am speaking out on the building proposed for the vacant land at the junction of Essex and Brook streets, Andover.

To my eyes the building shown in the color sketch on a signboard is not the right build-

ing for such a unique site. The spot deserves a building much more in keeping with the location and neighboring structures. If I were a citizen of Andover, I would vote with phone calls to all who are in a position to stop what, in my mind, is a big mistake.

Michael E. Goriansky
95 Millpond
North Andover

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The *Townsman* will not publish letters about the March 24 town election candidates in next week's edition, the paper before the election.

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School system approves \$31M budget

By Neil Fater

The School Committee unanimously approved a school budget \$500,000 above the town manager's recommended level Tuesday night.

School leaders want nearly \$31.2 million for next year, an increase of 7.83 percent over this year's budget. Dick Neal, superintendent, said without items such as those needed to meet the state's time and learning standards and to pay for a possible wage settlement with teachers, the increase would be

4.58 percent.

Increased student enrollment and a commitment to the system's technology plan were again cited as key reasons for this year's budget jump. Mr. Neal said he expects 168 new students next year and the system will need new staff members because of these students.

Among the benefits of the proposed budget is that it will provide Internet access at each school, add supervision to programs, put more nurses in the schools, maintain class sizes, and help push an alternative program for High School students who aren't succeeding in the traditional setting, said Mr. Neal.

The approved budget was \$200,000 lower than Mr. Neal's original proposal.

New middle school, 5-8

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do renovations to the existing middle schools through the Capital Improvement Plan, if possible, rather than through a bond bill.

School officials have not yet selected a site for the new middle school, but the School Committee currently has control of only one Andover spot, an area of land out near the intersection of Cross Street and Highplain Road.

"It's a viable site I would say. Whether it's the right site I don't know," said Mr. Neal.

"The site will be looked at as part of the analysis for next year," said Mr. Neal. "(A selection of the site) would have to be done early on in the process so the design would match the site."

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St. Patrick's party

The Senior Center will sponsor a St. Patrick's Day party Monday, March 17. An Irish lunch at 11:30 a.m. will be followed by Irish entertainment. Tickets at \$4 per person are available at the center.

Supper club

This month's supper club will be held at the Loft Restaurant in North Andover Wednesday, March 19, at 5 p.m. Reservations should be made by Friday, March 14.

Healthy heart workshop

The staff from Holy Family Hospital's cardiac rehab program will present a heart

healthy workshop Thursday, March 20, 1-2:30 p.m. The program will cover exercise, risk factors, and more. Call to register.

Men's breakfast

The monthly men's breakfast will be held Friday, March 21, at 8:30 a.m. Sen. John O'Brien and Rep. Barry Finegold will speak on "Legislative Issues Affecting Seniors." Cost is \$3 per person. Call for reservations.

Cooking class

This month's cooking class on Wednesday, March 26, at 9:30 a.m. will include Chinese cuisine. Cost is \$4 per person.

Spring craft sale

The center's arts and crafts group will sponsor a spring and Easter craft sale Friday, March 31. The sale will feature a variety of hand-painted items, Easter baskets, spring decorations and arrangements and Easter cookies and breads.

Quota Club dinner

The Quota Club will sponsor a dinner for seniors at the center Tuesday, March 25, with a social hour beginning at 5:30 p.m. Club members will supply a pot-luck-style dinner. Cost is \$2. Make reservations as soon as possible.

Oriental rug-making

Ann Masessa will present a free Oriental rug-making demonstration Thursday, March 27, at 1 p.m. Call the center.

Town meeting forum

Panel members Buzz Stapczynski, Randy Hanson and Jim Doherty will discuss the importance of town meeting Friday, March 14, at 9 a.m.

Museum trip

The Senior Center's cultural committee will sponsor a trip to Whistler House Art Museum and the Quilt Museum in Lowell Wednesday, April 16. The bus will leave the center at 9:30 a.m. and return at approximately 2:30. Cost is \$15 per person. The trip is limited to 25 people.

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Thursday: Turkey tenders, potato wedges, sherbet cup.

Friday: Baked fish, mashed potatoes, butternut squash, fruit cup.

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'He just went ahead and did the work' – Bob Pustell

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He didn't have authorization to do anything."

The ConsCom issued the enforcement order in December and, according to Mr. Pustell – who cautioned that he was speaking without the file in front of him – the ConsCom heard nothing from Mr. Arnold until they received notification of the lawsuit last week. But Mr. Arnold showed the *Townsmen* three letters, one sent to Ms. Gilmore in December and two to Conservation Agent James Greer in January – in which Mr. Arnold invited town officials to come view his property.

The letters – copies of which were sent to the town manager, town counsel and the director of Public Works – also explained what he'd done and his desire to reach agreement on the best course of action to resolve the dispute. The last note, on Jan. 17, advised the ConsCom on steps he was taking to address the problem and requested an extension of the enforcement order's Feb. 2 deadline.

To date, no members of the ConsCom have accepted his invitation to visit the property, according to Mr. Arnold. Only Mr. Greer visited, and that was not until the afternoon of Feb. 6, just hours before the ConsCom meeting at which members were scheduled to discuss the issue. Mr. Arnold appeared before the commission that night to apologize for any of his actions that may have been in violation, and to seek a resolution, he said. He also explained to members that night that they were leaving him no choice but to file the suit, he said.

Issues

Mr. Pustell said the ConsCom has control over what type of machinery if any is used in areas buffering water resource areas. Precautionary measures may often need to be taken to assure the resource is not contaminated or otherwise negatively impacted while the work is being done or afterward. None of that was possible since they were not involved in this case, Mr. Pustell said. Though he doubts Mr. Arnold would intentionally do anything to endanger the pond, "Whether he did or didn't do damage to the pond we don't know," Mr. Pustell said. "But he certainly changed the banking and the area adjacent to them."

Mr. Arnold says he did not touch the embankment. He understood the ConsCom's earlier decision to mean that removing the embankment of the pond would require a notice of intent, he said, but that he could fill the pool as long as he didn't take the

'It's environmentally neutral. It can't decay. It can't impact a water source. It has no runoff.'

fill from the edge of the pond.

He bought screened loam to fill the pool and grade it to match the surface around it. He then put down stone dust and laid the polypropylene mats of the sports court on top of the stone dust.

The sports court is 30 feet by 70 feet, the same size of the fenced-in area that included the pool and surrounding patio, according to Mr. Arnold. He is not sure, he said, but believes the pool was about 20 feet by 50 feet. The court is not cement or asphalt, but a porous, ¼-inch thick polypropylene mat, which he described as a large, porous welcome mat. It has a basketball hoop on one side and a light pole on the other. A tennis net can be strung between the two poles for short-court tennis. The court is surrounded by a 10-foot cyclone-type fence built on the same line as the fence that surrounded the pool, according to Mr. Arnold.

"You couldn't get any bigger than what was already there," he says.

Mr. Arnold said the value of the sports court is \$25,000, including the \$3,000 basketball hoop.

"It's what a lot of NBA players have in their backyards," Mr. Arnold said.

Mr. Arnold said the court is environmentally safe.

"It's environmentally neutral. It can't decay. It can't impact a water source. It has no runoff. (Water) goes right through it into the dirt," he said. "Environmental Science Services (which he described as experts in conservation and wetlands), has been here, unlike the Conservation Commission, and ascertained that we have not, are not and will not in any way impact the watershed, and in fact have stabilized what was an unstable situation."

"I understand that it's the watershed," Mr. Arnold said. "I had a clear and present danger in my backyard and I addressed it."

Mr. Arnold said that at reception at his house last year one or two kids fell into the empty pool and that he felt it was dangerous.

"We did not plan to put a court out there. The court was an afterthought," he said. "We

thought somebody was going to get killed.

"For the Conservation Commission to suggest that I don't take into consideration this watershed is ludicrous. My kids drink it. It's a pristine and precious resource. If I drink it and I live on it why would I treat it with disdain?"

Mr. Arnold admits that ignorance is no excuse.

"I wish I'd known that it would cause a big problem to fill the pool," he said.

He understands that ConsCom members may perceive what he did "as a slap in the face," he said. But he blames the court case on the ConsCom. "They painted me into a corner. I'm embarrassed that the town is spending any money in court," he said. "I just wish they hadn't acted on hearsay, and came down here instead. We made a procedural error. I acknowledge that. But what's here is better than what was here. And anyone who saw this property in the last five years would concur. I think that if they saw what it is, that it would diffuse things."

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Doug Halsted was seconds from death

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been sitting "15 seconds before," he said.

"I'd be dead now if it happened two minutes earlier or two minutes later," said Mr. Halsted, standing next to the car a few minutes after the crash. "I was standing right here. I had just gotten out of my car."

"It must have scared the heck out of him when he was standing there," said Robert Lague, a co-worker called to the scene.

The substantial limb was snapped free of its tree by the same strong winds that downed power lines and felled trees throughout the Northeast last Thursday. After the limb skewed his car, Mr. Halsted phoned police and Mr. Lague, a drama director who was still at Andover High School's *Into the Woods* rehearsal.

"Geez, Doug, whatever you do don't go outside in an electrical storm," joked Mr. Lague, after driving to the scene.

According to Mr. Lague, a tree had just missed falling on Mr. Halsted's car when the High School was doing its production of *Anne Frank*.

Police officers arriving at Mr. Halsted's quiet Andover street last Thursday marveled at the site.

Jutting out of the driver's windshield, the tree limb had wedged itself between the steering wheel and the front seat, squashing both. The limb looked as if it was ready to slip the new Chevy into drive and take off down the road.

"It keeps blowing the horn, too," said Mr. Halsted.

"He is so lucky he wasn't in that car. I can't think of a more dangerous way for (the limb) to fall," said Andover Officer Dan Leonard, after walking around the car for



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Doug Halsted stands by the damage to his car.

the first time.

"I can't tell you, if he was sitting there, where it would have hit him," he said. "God was with him on this one."

Mr. Halsted is an Andover public school teacher and an assistant director for Andover High School drama productions. He said he left the *Into the Woods* rehearsal because he had a doctor's appointment.

"I was debating whether to go straight to the doctor's office or come home and get something to eat. I was starved," said Mr. Halsted.

He did stop at home around 4:15 p.m. and, fortunately for him, did not dally in his car for long.

"I had just pulled up," said Mr. Halsted.

shaking his head at the site. "Can you believe it? My brand new car..."

Mr. Halsted said he'd bought his now-damaged 1997 dark green 1997 Chevrolet Malibu two weeks before the accident. It has less than 500 miles on it. In addition, because the first Malibus just rolled off the lot in February, Mr. Halsted said this week he'll have to wait a while to fix his car.

"What's happened is the car is so new, the manufacturing is so new, there are no parts available for it yet," said Mr. Halsted. "They don't have any idea how

The 1997 Chevrolet Malibu has less than 500 miles on it.

long it will be. It may be a week, it may be a month."

He said the limb broke off of a town-owned tree at the edge of his wife's Kenilworth Street property.

"It's strange because last summer the town pruned all these trees," he said. Mr. Halsted said this week he believes the town will pay whatever damages his insurance company will not.

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Architect: Not an uncommon amount of mistakes

water main where the foundation for the new science wing was to go. This set the project back three weeks during the opening months of the project, said the architect.

"The water line is irrelevant. The problem is with the original phasing. The water line is just a red herring to give people the idea that a latent condition is to blame for this issue," said Mr. Nicholson, of Stone-Congress.

Mr. Nicholson has said the architect's plan to do phases 4 and 5 of the project together is one example of the architect's scheduling problems. If both sections were done together, students and teachers would be unable to get from the science wing to the rest of the building without going outside, he said.

Although the architect's original schedule called for the two phases to be done separately, Tom Silva, the contractor's project manager, said the document contractor's bid had the two phases to be done concurrently.

"That decision was made during bidding as a cost-saving strategy," said Mr. Soleau, architect.

The architect said it didn't think it would be difficult to work with the contractor to establish one corridor or passageway that students and teachers could use to get to the science wing.

"It did not seem to be an insurmountable goal," said Mr. Croteau.

"That's basically sub-phasing. What you're saying is chop up the phasing into smaller bits," said Mr. Nicholson. "That can be done but it's expensive."

Now the architect wants to go back to its original plan. But the architect said when it asked about doing the two phases separately, Stone Congress said it would cost the town \$17,000 to calculate how much it would cost to do phase 4 before phase 5.

"They requested us to revise the whole construction schedule," said Mr. Silva, of Stone-Congress. "That's a lot of work. We had to re-do the schedule and reprice it. We had to go back to all the subcontractors."

Mr. Silva said the architects knew there was a problem after a February 1996 meeting but did nothing about it until this fall.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

This shot of construction at Andover High School was taken in early January.

"This is about the third proposal we've had for re-phasing and we've never received a penny for the work. We spent hundreds of man-hours and thousands of dollars trying to fix their problem," said Mr. Silva.

The architect said the contractor has refused to help with re-phasing. It said the contractor's only suggestion has been to evacuate the building so there are no students there while they work. The architect also said the contractor could submit a phasing schedule of its own if it thinks it has a better one than the architect.

"We have no responsibility to do that," said Mr. Nicholson. "We're not designers. We're not paid to be designers or project managers like Mead Consulting."

"They (the architects and Mead)

were paid significant sums of money to accurately assess the needs of the school," he said. "We're paid to execute the work."

"I'm hearing a recurring theme, which is 'You did not fix our problems. You didn't fix our errors,'" said Mr. Nicholson. "It rings hollow."

Too close for comfort

Mr. Nicholson has said another problem with the phasing schedule is it places the contractor too close to occupied classrooms.

"The contract documents say very clearly that this is an occupied building," said Mr. Croteau. "It also says that the contractor will take care not to disrupt the educational (work) of the High School."

"That proximity is clear. It is known at the time of bidding," said Mr.

Croteau. "It's not up to the architect or the owners to tell the contractor how (to prevent problems, etc.)"

"The means and methods that are used to build the project are the responsibility of the contractor," said Earl Flansburgh, owner of the architectural firm. "It's a point that is often overlooked, the contractor has responsibilities on this job."

"We're doing work that's right next to the students," Mr. Nicholson said in response. "If it's subsequently found to be unacceptable because of noise or perceived fumes, then the option is to change the phasing. But we didn't create the phasing documents."

"The problems with respect to proximity is construction next to the school is unacceptable to Buzz (Stapczynski, town manager) and the school."

Andover High teacher stuck in new elevator 30 minutes

By Don Staruk

An Andover High School teacher was stuck in a new elevator at Andover High School for about 30 minutes Tuesday.

The woman, Carmelina F. Galvagna, a business teacher, apparently stepped into the elevator just off the main lobby. The doors shut behind her, but when she pressed a button, the lift wouldn't move.

When she tried to get out, the doors would not open, according to Mike McCormick of Mead Consulting, the town's consultant on the High School construction project.

Firefighters responded but were unable to open the doors, or chose not to damage them.

Employees from Stanley Elevator, which installed the elevator last

September, were called and were able to free the woman.

The teacher was not upset during the ordeal and was no worse for the wear afterward, according to Mr. McCormick.

The elevator connects all five levels, including half-levels, at the school. Employees from Stanley Elevator were

still looking for the cause of the problem Wednesday morning.

"We're really not sure what the problem is - something in the control system. So they're working on that now," Mr. McCormick said.

The elevator has a one-year warranty that will cover the cost of the repair, Mr. McCormick said.

POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Tuesday, April 4 - At 2:48 a.m., Allan G. Mowat, 39, of Methuen, was arrested on Union Street and charged on a warrant for a 209A restraining order violation.

At 8:31 a.m., Walter B. Sloan, 43, of Salem, N.H., was arrested on North Main Street and charged on a warrant.

At 9:35 a.m., Raymond A. Alexander, 45, of an unknown Andover address, was arrested on Essex Street and charged with being a disorderly person.

At 12:51 p.m., Angel L. Nieves, 20, of Methuen, who is an employee at the Andover Marriott, was arrested at the Marriott and charged with larceny from a building and larceny of property valued at more than \$250. The arrest was the result of an investigation by Andover detectives into the theft of a credit card from the Marriott. The investigation is continuing.

Thursday, March 6 - At 3:12 a.m., Benjamin H. Day, 19, of Bow, N.H., was arrested on Old River Road and charged with operating under the influence (alcohol) and with operating defective equipment (broken tail light).

Friday, March 7 - At 2:51 a.m., Ricardo Rosa, 21, of Woburn, was arrested on Foster Circle and charged with operating under the influence (alcohol), speeding and on a default traffic warrant. Rene D. Lopez, 33, of Stoneham, was arrested with Mr. Rosa and charged on two warrants.

At 3:22 p.m., Margaret Delacoste, 39, of 68 Haverhill St., was arrested during a search of her house and charged with 34 counts each of receiving stolen property and uttering a false prescription. The arrest was the result of an investigation by officers John Pathiakakis and Dan Leonard. The charges relate to allegations that Ms. Delacoste stole stationary during a two- to four-year period from a number of dental offices at which she previously worked and used it to write prescriptions for herself for prescription medicines. The medicines she obtained were for her own use only, according to police. A pharmacy in Methuen first discovered the alleged forgeries last month and warned area pharmacies. An employee at CVS/Pharmacy on Main Street in Andover called police Feb. 28 and reported that Ms. Delacoste had just ordered a prescription that had been forged and was on her way to collect it. Officers Pathiakakis and Leonard talked with Ms. Delacoste that night and the arrest last Friday was a result of their subsequent investigation. During the search of her home, several stolen prescription forms - some forged and some blank - and several prescription bottles - some empty and some with pills in them - were recovered, according to police. Ms. Delacoste allegedly also admitted to having disposed of several illegal medications and prescription pads after the incident at CVS a week earlier, according to police.

At 10:42 p.m., Rohit A. Singh, 17, of 9 Apache Ave., was arrested at his home and charged with assault and battery after his mother reported he had been very combative with a younger brother.

Saturday, March 8 - At 2:27 a.m., Lawrence police reported having received a report from a motorist on a CB radio about a car that had been striking other cars. Jason C. Provanzano, 20, of Lynnfield, was stopped in Elm Square in a car fitting the description given and was charged with operating under the influence (alcohol) and being a minor transporting alcohol.

At 4:19 p.m., Mark Anderson, 37, of 3 Dundee Park, was arrested at Dundee Park and charged on a warrant for threatening to commit a crime. The arrested related to an incident that allegedly occurred earlier in the week.

INCIDENTS

Tuesday, March 4 - At 3:33 p.m., a youth who reported an assault said he did so after he jumped from his mother's car on Punchard Avenue because she slapped him in the face.

At 7:46 p.m., an anonymous caller reported he or she was standing by with an injured rabbit on Topping Road at Corbett Street. An officer reported "transporting a pet bunny" to Andover Animal Hospital.

Wednesday, March 5 - At 9:16 p.m., a bat was reported in a family room at a house on Central Street. An officer later reported the bat was gone.

Thursday, March 6 - At 9:33 p.m., a 209A restraining order was served to a man on Country-side Way.

Friday, March 7 - At 10:07 a.m., Animal Control Officer Wayne Nader reported being injured while handling a red tailed hawk that was injured when it flew into a window at the Andover Marriott. While Officer Nader was placing the animal in a cage at Andover Animal Hospital, one of the hawk's legs got loose and a talon grabbed the ring finger on one of Officer Nader's hands, piercing his glove and breaking the skin on the finger.

Monday, March 10 - At 5:55 p.m., a 209A restraining order was served to a man on Summer Street.

ACCIDENTS

On Saturday, March 8, at 2:07 p.m., two drivers were injured in an accident on Route 125 just north of Prospect Street. The Jaws of Life was used to free both drivers. Ambulances from Andover and several area towns were used to transport them and two passengers to the hospital. Route 125 was closed for a period while the accident was cleared. According to a police report, Charles B. Osgood Jr., 43, of Wilmington was coming from Merrimack College south on Route 125 with two sons in his caravan when a Ford Taurus driven by Kristin Stanton, 17, of North Reading, and heading north on Route 125 began to fishtail into his lane. Mr. Osgood slammed into it. Mr. Osgood and Ms. Stanton reportedly had multiple injuries. Mr. Stanton's two sons reported being in pain but their injuries appeared to be minor, according to the police report.

Accidents were also reported at the following dates, times and locations:

Wednesday, March 5 - 6:31 p.m., near 40 Andover St., car vs. van;

Thursday, March 6 - 2:50 p.m., near 36 Woodland Road;

Saturday, March 8 - 9:15 a.m., near 134 North St., an operator required medical assistance after going off the road and striking several mailboxes;

1:07 p.m., Route 125, state police handled it;

3:28 p.m., a woman pedestrian was reported stuck by a car in the McDonald's parking lot on North Main street. The alleged victim did not appear injured, said witnesses, and left before an officer arrived to investigate.

Monday, March 10 - 8:56 a.m., near 400 River Road. Several other reports of spin-outs and cars off the road occurred at around this time due to snow;

9:20 a.m., near 82 Porter Road, car vs. tree.

BREAKS

Wednesday, March 5 - At 8:27 p.m., a car break was reported to have just occurred at the YMCA on Haverhill Street.

Thursday, March 6 - At 9 a.m., a car break was reported on Dale Street.

At 9:57 a.m., an overnight break into the building was reported at Dundee Park.

Friday, March 7 - At 9:26 a.m., a car break was reported at Emcon Northeast, 6 Riverside Drive.

THEFTS

Wednesday, March 5 - At 1:47 a.m., gas was reported taken from the West Andover Mobil gas station, 309 Lowell St.

At 7:52 p.m., a wallet was reported taken from Phillips Academy.

At 7:53 p.m., a TV was taken at the Marriott.

Thursday, March 6 - At 12:06 p.m., the theft of a student's medication was reported at AHS.

At 4:50 p.m., a gold watch was reported taken from a house on School Street.

At 5:50 p.m., a theft from Bider's Antiques, 6 Park St., was reported.

VANDALISM

Tuesday, March 4 - At 8:55 a.m., windows of a construction trailer were reported smashed overnight on Andover Country Club Lane.

Thursday, March 6 - At 7:33 a.m., damage to two stop signs was reported on Cutler Road.

At 2:50 p.m., mischievous damage to a car by kids on a school bus was reported to have occurred near 13 North St., at Greenwood Road.

At 6:08 p.m., a car was reported keyed at Andover High School.

At 6:38 p.m., a car window was reported smashed in the lot at the Rolling Green Ramada Hotel on Lowell Street.

STOLEN CARS

Wednesday, March 5 - At 11:56 a.m., a car that was reported stolen from Lowell was found off the road in a ditch near 17 Webster St.

Friday, March 7 - At 3:29 a.m., a car that was reported taken from Methuen was found running but stuck in the mud on a front lawn at 9 Webster St.

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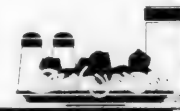
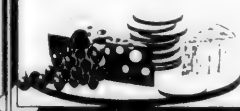
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SPORTS

AHS girls, 2 wins short of state title, run out of magic

By Rick Harrison

BOSTON — Despite another Herculean effort from a hobbled Charlotte Muller, dreams of a state title for the Andover High women's basketball team lay in shattered pieces on the parquet floor at the FleetCenter after Braintree stunned the Lady Warriors, 55-38, in their Eastern Mass. Division 1 championship game on Monday night.

Muller poured in 27 points, but the rest of the team could only manage 11 as the locals were colder from the floor and free throw line than the sub-freezing temperatures outside the building.

The loss, the first in 25 games this season, brought more than a few tears to the eyes of players, parents, friends and other fans as the Merrimack Valley Conference and Division 1 North Tournament champs fell just two victories shy of the 1996-'97 Massachusetts state title.

It would have been a first for AHS in women's basketball, and ironically would have come 27 years after twins Charlotte and Sarah Muller's father, Dick, helped Andover to the only state title in the history of the men's hoop program.

Dick, playing on the same parquet in the old Boston Garden, was a starting guard on the 1970 team that beat Boston English to win the State Class C championship.

It also would have been just the

fourth state title in any sport for Andover this decade. The baseball team won back-to-back Division 1 crowns in 1991 and '92 and the golf team earned a Division 2 championship last fall.

Braintree, led by its own sharpshooter and future Brown University star Shelley Lyons (21 points), outplayed Andover in almost every facet of the game and deserved the win.

The winners were tough off the boards, played solid 1-2-2 match-up zone and man-to-man trapping defenses, and did an excellent job of shutting down everyone else while Charlotte was scoring her points.

The locals' usually dominant inside game was practically non-existent, as the veteran Braintree squad confused AHS with some deft switching and double-teaming down low.

The Wamps (22-3 record), Bay State League titlists who hammered Bridgewater-Raynham 59-36 in the Division 1 South title game, were making their second straight appearance in the state semifinals.

The two-time reigning South Sectional champions lost to Haverhill, 80-49, last March at the FleetCenter but used that lopsided defeat to toughen themselves for this encounter.

The top-seeded Lady Warriors reached Monday's state semifinal with their fourth straight tourney win by 14 or more points, a 52-38 triumph over Merrimack Valley Conference archrival Methuen last Saturday afternoon.

That game was witnessed by more than 2,000 bi-partisan and vocal fans at UMass Boston's Clark Athletic Center.

Andover completes a spectacular campaign, one that caught the imagination of many area basketball fans, with a single-season school-record 24 wins.

The Lady Warriors finished the regular season No. 1 in New England, and ranked among the top 25 high school teams in the eastern United States by *USA Today*.

The best news is that coach Jim Tildsley's ultra-talented team graduates only one senior, although Stone-



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Captain and team center Sue Tully (No. 45, in white) will definitely be missed next year. Here she battles her counterpart from Braintree for control of the opening tap Monday night at the FleetCenter.

hill-bound Captain Sue Tully will definitely be missed next year.

Muller Magic

Charlotte spun a powerful offensive web that entangled every rival defense she encountered this season.

Muller, who played the final three tourney games with a badly-sprained right ankle, established a women's single-season individual school record of 464 points which included 63 three-point field goals.

In recent years, only AHS men's standouts Sean Ryan, Mike Roberts and Matt Gibson have scored more points in a season. Ryan had 502 points in 1991-'92, Roberts 469 in 1992-'93 and Gibson 469 in 1994-'95.

Charlotte's 74 three-pointers last year are a school record for both men and women. Matt Perry had 64 three-pointers in 1990-'91.

Charlotte scored 112 points in five tournament games (22.4 average), and she now has 1,184 career points including 316 as a freshman and 404 last year.

Division 1 North Tournament Championship Game

ANDOVER SCORING WOMEN'S BASKETBALL (25 games) Final Statistics

	FG	FT	Pts
Charlotte Muller	163	75	464
Sue Tully	113	44	270
Sarah Muller	76	31	223
Laura Orlando	62	25	149
Janice Coppolino	53	11	117
Lindsey Pearson	47	6	100
Kristen Foley	31	6	68
Jenna Hartwell	9	3	21
Viki Pierce	7	5	19
Courtney Barron	7	0	14
Julie Litzenberger	6	0	12
Lauren Sweeney	2	0	4

3-pointers: C. Muller 63, S. Muller 40.

"It (ankle) felt good until the very end of the game," said Charlotte, who buckled and knelt briefly on the hardwood with 40 seconds left. "The swelling went down a lot during the week, and it was taped really well today. But the tape loosened during the game and the ankle turned over again just like it did against Haverhill."

But a 24th straight win, and visions of the FleetCenter parquet, were strong enough medicine to ease the pain.

Although Charlotte's effort was dramatic, there were several co-stars in another historic victory during this most memorable of seasons.

Captain Sue Tully, the 6'1" pivot power who took over the Haverhill game with 28 points, contributed another intense effort with 16 points, 14 rebounds and five blocked shots.

Twin sister Sarah Muller once again quarterbacked the offense at point-guard, time-and-again sifting through the Rangers' pressure defense to distribute seven assists and score six points. Sarah also ripped off four steals at the defensive end.

Sophomore forward Janice Coppolino added strength under the boards with nine rebounds, and she netted four points, while freshman Lindsey Pearson played with the poise of a senior while scoring a pair of key hoops late in the first half and finishing with five rebounds.

"Sue (Tully) has played very well in big games and really stepped it up for the tournament," said Charlotte.

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DIVISION 1 NORTH TOURNAMENT

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Andover 58, Woburn 33

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Andover 60, Lowell 29

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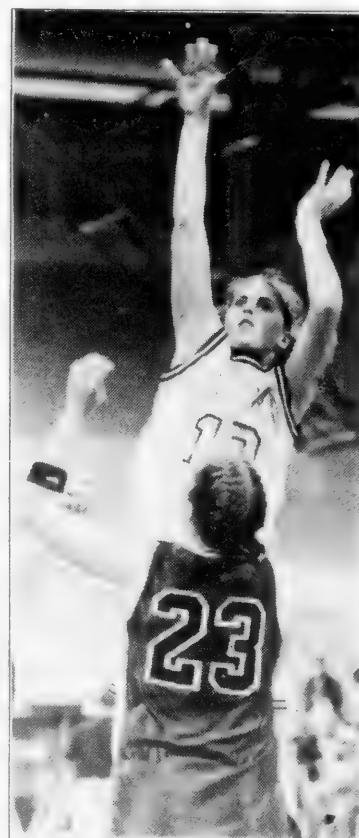
CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Andover 52, Methuen 38

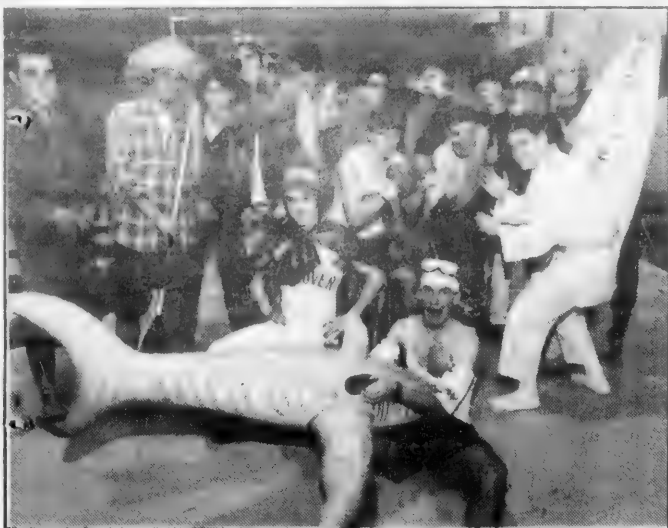
STATE SEMIFINAL

Braintree 55, Andover 38

FINAL RECORD: 24-1.



AHS freshman forward Lindsey Pearson played with the poise of a senior while scoring a pair of key hoops late in the first half against Methuen. She finished Saturday's win with five rebounds.



1997 contestants in the sportswear competition.



The 1997 winner, Antonio Beliveau.



What's New, Pussycat? – Dan Barch was a crowd-pleasing runner-up as Tom Jones.

WHO: Presented by the Andover High class of 1998...

WHAT: The sixth annual Mr. AHS contest, with 15 contestants and sponsors

WHERE: Doherty Auditorium (sold out)

WHEN: Saturday, March 8

WHY: Major fundraiser for AHS junior class

Contestants, their acts, and sponsors were: Dan Barch (finalist), Tom Jones rendition of "What's New Pussycat," Nikki Winters; John Bausemer (finalist), Michael Jackson dance to "Thriller," Janna Friedman; Antonio Beliveau (winner), on keyboard singing and performing an original piece, Jenny Powers; Adam Colucci, drum solo, Carey Levine; Matt Cox, Spartan cheerleader from *Saturday Night Live*, Jillian Collins; Brian Cutler, singing and gymnastic routine, Jenna Hartwell; Jeff Danis, reciting an original poem, Rachel Brodie; Chris Desjardins, on keyboard performing "Long December," Tara Cataldo; Ben Gibson, singing "Figaro," Noelle Blank; Michael Jones (finalist), on keyboard playing original composition, Jess Youell; Mike Monteiro, performing a song made popular by Vanilla Ice, Julie Flynn; Chris Parsons (finalist), on guitar playing and singing an original tune, Jess Purcell; J.P. Sarni, monologue from "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," Jordan Bentley; Andy Turco, comic routine, Leigh Croteau; Mark Zammuto, selections from *Star Wars*, Lori Volpe.

Mr. Andover High 1997

Photos by Lisa Adelsberger



From left, the hostess and host from 1996, Sarah Plamondon and Ross Fenton; the host and hostess for 1997, Mike Garrity and Sabrina Gum.



J.P. Sarni performed a flawless monologue from *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*.



Andy Turco spoofed cable-TV commercials in his comic routine.



Finalist John Bausemer 'thrilled' the crowds with Michael Jackson tunes.

And now, a word from their sponsors, members of the class of '98...



This year's judges were former state representative Susan Tucker, Mary Donohue of DCS, local road race organizer Bill Pennington, *Townsmen* reporter Neil Fater, and Rep. Barry Finegold, D-Andover.



'97 season ends - on the parquet floor

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**Eastern Mass. Division 1
Championship
(State Semifinal)
Braintree 55
Andover 38**

The 38 points were 10 fewer than the previous low for the season, which came in a 48-32 victory over

Salem, N.H. in the opening round of the Greater Lawrence Christmas Tournament.

This one began slipping away late in the first half, and the Lady Warriors were never able to get it back as an estimated 3,400 fans watched.

Two baskets by hard-working Janice Coppolino and another by Sue Tully, all on put-backs, erased a 4-0 deficit in the first minute and gave Andover its only lead of the game at 6-4.

The second of Charlotte Muller's five three-pointers cut the Braintree advantage to 13-12 after six minutes had elapsed, and a Coppolino lay-up followed by a Charlotte Muller drive kept the locals close at 20-18.

The Wamps' depth (eight different pointscorers) began to pay off late in the first half, as an 11-2 run led by Shelley Lyons, Keri Sampson and Kelly Roach opened the lead to 31-20 before Charlotte buried another trifecta from deep in the corner to trim the deficit to eight points at intermission.

In addition to frigid shooting, Andover was also plagued by turnovers, bad bounces, missed layups and uncharacteristic inconsistency off the boards.

The winners had great success off the offensive glass and often limited AHS to just one shot at the other end.

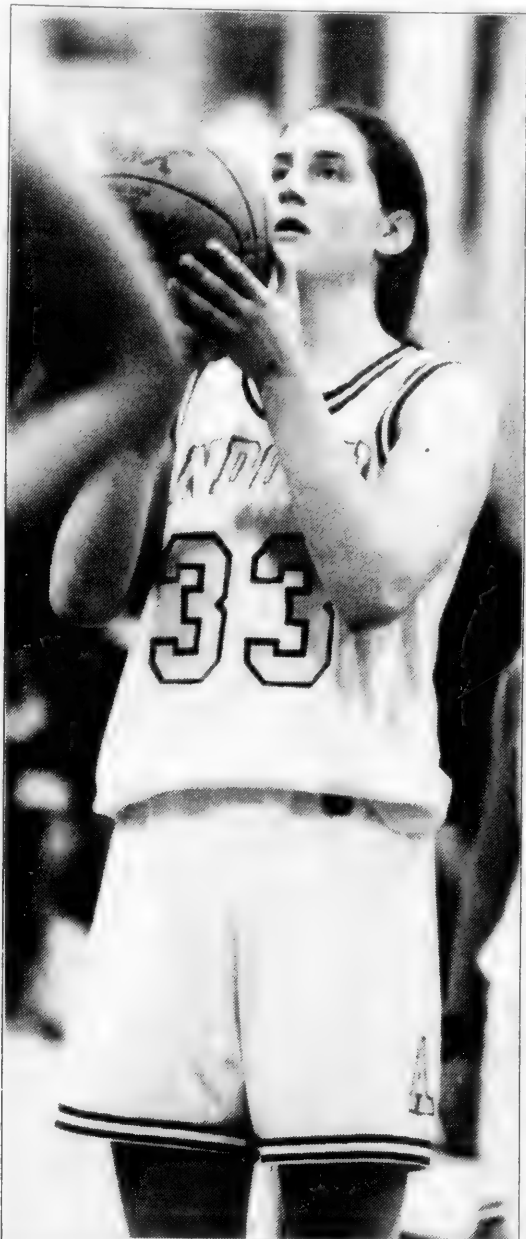
Braintree opened the second half with a pivotal (and for Andover disastrous) 9-0 run, as the locals missed a succession of outside bombs.

The Lady Warriors finally scored their first points of the second half when Charlotte dropped in a driving lefty lay-up at the four-minute



Photos by Liso Adelsberger

"The fans were great" was the sentiment of the Andover players, at both Monday night's loss at the FleetCenter in Boston, where the enthusiastic crowd provided some good moments during the game, and Saturday's win over Methuen at UMass Boston's Clark Athletic Center, which was witnessed by more than 2,000 bi-partisan and vocal fans



Maybe that's why she wears number 33 - AHS sophomore forward Janice Coppolino shoots a pair of free throws Saturday against Methuen. Charlotte Muller said, "Janice (Coppolino) is our unsung hero. She gets a lot of key rebounds."

mark after 11 straight shots didn't fall.

The Wamps' lead peaked at 20 points when Lyons drained a trey to make it 47-27 at 7:02.

The closest the locals came down the stretch was 14 points, 49-35 after a Charlotte drive with less than six minutes left capped an 8-2 run that also included two Muller trifectas.

All AHS could manage the rest of the way was a Coppolino free throw and another lay-in by Charlotte.

Coach Tildsley sent in the reserves with about one minute left so that every member of the team could say she played on the storied parquet floor.

"Charlotte's ankle is very tender, sorer than it was Saturday," coach Tildsley said before the game. "We have to continue to play good defense to win. Lyons is an excellent shooter and (Ali) Curry is a force underneath."

But it just wasn't to be.

The Lady Warriors knew what to do but had trouble executing the plan.

Charlotte finished with her second 27-point tourney game (Woburn), while Coppolino contributed seven points and seven rebounds.

Tully had four points, eight

boards and two blocked shots, Sarah Muller passed out five assists and freshman Lindsey Pearson contributed six rebounds.

"My teammates found me (with passes) when I was open, and I was able to hit the shots," said Braintree sharpshooter Lyons after the game. "Having Ali under the boards really helps us. She kicks the ball outside so well and always finds the open shooter."

"Andover is an excellent team but we felt we weren't getting the respect we deserved before the game," added Lyons. "We tried to go into this like it was just another game. Being here last year really helped. It's a whole different atmosphere. Until you've been through it once it can be very tough."

Six-footer Curry scored 10 points and pulled down 11 rebounds to support Lyons' 21 points.

Braintree also played Andover in a multi-team tournament at Stonehill College last summer, the Lady Warriors winning that game by double figures with most of the same players on both sides.

The Wamps (short for Wampano Indians) will face the survivor of the Central-Western Mass. Division 1 state semifinal on Saturday at the

**BRAINTREE 55, ANDOVER 38
Eastern Mass. Division 1
Championship
at FleetCenter, Boston**

Andover (24-1) — Charlotte Muller 11-0-27, Lindsey Pearson 0-0-0, Janice Coppolino 3-1-7, Laura Orlando 0-0-0, Sarah Muller 0-0-0, Sue Tully 2-0-4, Kristen Foley 0-0-0, Viki Pierce 0-0-0, Jenna Hartwell 0-0-0, Courtney Barron 0-0-0, Julie Litzenberger 0-0-0. **Totals:** 16-1-38.

Braintree (22-3) — Ali Curry 3-4-10, Kerry Sampson 3-0-6, Shelley Lyons 6-4-21, Kelly Roche 2-2-6, Jody Gardner 2-0-4, Michelle Cutty 1-0-2, Jordan Groh 0-2-2. **Totals:** 19-12-55.

Halftime: Braintree, 31-23.

3-pointers: Andover, C. Muller 5, Braintree, Lyons 5.

Worcester Centrum, with that winner bringing home the state championship gold.

Holy Name of Worcester is one of the other state semifinalists, having defeated North Middlesex Regional 52-40 to capture the Division 1 Central title. They were to battle Western Mass. champ Minnechaug earlier this week for the right to face Braintree.

In other action, AHS winter seasons wrap up, wind down

AHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Rick Harrison

Members of the Andover High women's basketball team weren't the only local varsity athletes in action this past week.

Several women's gymnasts and a pair of track standouts also competed as individuals in elite season-ending State and New England Championship Meets.

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

Junior Merrimack Valley All-Conference selection Julie Mullane scored a personal-best

34.75 all-around to highlight performances by four talented Lady Warrior gymnasts at the season-ending All-State Individual Championships last Saturday night at Algonquin Regional in Northboro.

Although there wasn't a bad effort in the group, none of the AHS qualifiers placed among the top six in any event.

All-Conference

Julie Mullane was the lone member of the Merrimack Valley Conference dual-meet champions to earn 1996-'97 All-Conference honors.

One of nine gymnasts selected from the 10 member schools, Mullane was chosen All-Con-

ference on the uneven bars.

Andover also placed four on the MVC All-Star squad with Amy Shui, Rachel Isenberg, Mara Shiff and Nicole Carpentier the honorees.

State Individual Championships

Juniors Amy Shui and Rachel Isenberg joined Mullane in competing all-around against the best high school gymnasts in Massachusetts.

Shui finished with an impressive 33.775 score and Isenberg was close behind at 33.475.

Mullane's 9.05 on the uneven bars was the top Andover score in the meet and placed her among the top 10 in that event.

Mullane also had the best Andover score on balance beam (8.55) and in the vault (8.7), while her 8.45 in floor exercise was second to Isenberg's 8.55.

Isenberg added an 8.525 in vault, 8.35 on beam and 8.05 on bars.

Shui registered an excellent 9.0 on bars, an 8.425 in vault, an 8.3 in floor and an 8.05 on beam.

Senior Captain Mara Shiff competed on balance beam and scored a 7.9.

Mullane had finished the regular season with an 8.9625 average score on bars, 8.75 on beam, 8.6875 in vault and 8.89375 in floor exercise.

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24-0 Lady Warriors handed 1st loss Monday

"Janice (Coppolino) is our unsung hero. She gets a lot of key rebounds.

"And Sarah doesn't always get the credit she deserves. She's a big part of our success with her passing and ballhandling."

While Charlotte has the shooting radar, Sarah has the peripheral vision and a sixth sense to find the

open player for the best shot.

The Lady Warriors' tenacious man-to-man defense, with an occasional zone setup thrown into the mix, was instrumental in masking a poor shooting afternoon (32 percent from the floor) against Methuen.

Andover never trailed in the game, and the only tie came at 4-4 after the locals jumped to a quick 4-0 lead when Charlotte scored off the opening tip and Tully dropped in a lay-up.

"Our whole team came out strong," said Charlotte. "We had a few mental lapses when we got the big leads, but basically we stayed focused until the end."

After the Rangers tied it 4-4, Andover escaped on a 12-1 run that featured a Tully bank shot, Charlotte's 58th three-pointer of the season, four free throws by Charlotte, and a traditional three-point play by Sarah which included a soft scoop shot.

Play deteriorated briefly into a sloppy, ragged exchange of turnovers, until a 15-foot jumper by Pearson and a Charlotte bucket off a steal made it 20-10 with six minutes left in the half.

The Lady Warriors then went stone cold, managing only two more points before the intermission on another Pearson basket.

The half ended with a 7-0 Methuen run to trim the deficit to three points (22-19) at the break.

Kelly Barden's put-back started the late rush for the Rangers, who finished the season at 19-5 with four of the losses coming against Andover.

Katherine Curry contributed a 10-foot jumper, and Jen Bradley added a field goal and free throw in the closing seconds as the Rangers hit the locker room with momentum seemingly in their favor.

"Methuen is a well-coached team and they kept getting better every time we played," said Tildsley. "We both bang the boards and play a physical game, so we knew I would come down to which team played a tougher defense and got more loose balls."

Andover essentially won the game in the opening six



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Here comes Charlotte! Charlotte Muller scored 27 points Monday night despite being triple-teamed at times by a Braintree team that would not be denied.

minutes of the second half, turning the defense up several notches while outscoring Methuen 15-1 for a commanding 37-20 lead.

Coppolino launched the run by swishing a turnaround, Tully muscled underneath for a pair of put-backs, Charlotte scored a traditional three that started with an over-the-head circus shot, Charlotte added an easy transition lay-up off a steal, and Tully once again converted a rebound.

The Rangers have too much pride and tradition to fade away quietly. They made some noise with a final charge, closing the deficit to seven points (42-35) after Hilary Glynn buried a trey with 3:04 remaining to cap a 15-5 burst.

Eight of the last 10 AHS points came at the free throw line, including two charities each by Muller, Muller and Coppolino.

Glynn scored 15 points for Methuen before fouling out with less

than two minutes to play, while Katherine Curry added eight and Jen Bradley six.

Wrapup

It's very difficult to beat a tough opponent four times in the same season, and because Methuen gave Andover its sternest test late in the season (leading by seven points with five minutes to play), some thought the Rangers would pull off this upset.

Added incentive, it seemed, was the opportunity for an unprecedented sweep of Division 1 North titles after the Methuen women watched their men's team upset Cambridge Rindge & Latin, 63-56, in the preceding game.

The Rangers, with only two seniors on the roster (Andover has one), had previously lost to Andover 60-50 in the Greater Lawrence Christmas Tournament final and 59-45, 51-48 during the regular season.

This victory also avenged a 65-42

ANDOVER 52, METHUEN 38 Division 1 North Championship at UMass-Boston

Andover (24-0) — Sue Tully 6-4-16, Janice Coppolino 1-2-4, Laura Orlando 0-0-0, Charlotte Muller 6-9-22, Viki Pierce 0-0-0, Kristen Foley 0-0-0, Sarah Muller 1-4-6, Courtney Barron 0-0-0, Lindsey Pearson 2-0-4, Jenna Hartwell 0-0-0, Julie Litzenberger 0-0-0. **Totals:** 16-19-52.

Methuen (19-5) — Sarah Pearson 0-0-0, Jillian Middlemiss 1-2-4, Trisha Wilson 0-0-0, Hilary Glynn 5-2-15, Abby Baker 0-0-0, Jen Bradley 2-2-6, Robyn Daigle 0-0-0, Kelley Barden 1-3-5, Laura Curry 0-0-0, Katherine Curry 4-0-8, Lisa Golobski 0-0-0, Robyn Danahy 0-0-0. **Totals:** 13-9-38.

Halftime: Andover, 22-19.

3-pointers: Andover, C. Muller 1; Methuen, Glynn 3.

Division 1 North quarterfinal round loss to Methuen last year, a game in which most of this year's key AHS performers also played.

Fans were great

The enthusiastic crowd provided some good moments during the game, all in good fun unlike some of the ugly antics near the end of the Methuen-Cambridge men's clash.

At one point during the women's game, the Methuen fans chanted "Let's Go Rangers!"

Andover fans countered with "Un-defeat-ed!"

Methuen came back with "So Was Central!" in reference to the Methuen men upsetting previously unbeaten Central Catholic in the semifinals.

Andover had the final say, retaliating with "We're Not Central!"

Four Andover High male athletes paraded around the stands late in the game with a 2, 4, dash and 0 on their chest to spell out the Lady Warriors' 24-0 record.

Some Methuen fans placed cardboard signs with "23-1" in big numbers on several Andover cars, but the AHS fans responded by slapping their own "24-0" signs on Methuen autos.



Junior forward Laura Orlando forces her Braintree opponent to pass from the corner.

Quarterbacking the plays — AHS junior point-guard Sarah Muller brings up the ball, watching for an open teammate. Sarah distributed seven assists, scored six points, and also ripped off four steals at the defensive end.

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AHS ROUNDUP

(Continued from page 47)
cise.

Shui averaged 8.7235 on bars, 8.8 on beam, 8.6125 in vault and 8.75 in floor.

Isenberg was 8.5625 on bars, 8.7 on beam, 8.575 in vault and 8.6875 in floor.

Shiff checked in with an 8.65 on beam.

INDOOR TRACK

Senior Captain Peter Ellis placed seventh and

junior Barbara Contos was ninth as both represented Andover High in the 55-meter hurdles at the annual New England Interscholastic Indoor Track and Field Meet last weekend at Harvard University's Gordon Cage in Cambridge.

Both athletes had qualified with sixth and seventh place finishes, respectively, at the All-State Meet the previous weekend.

Ellis, who missed sixth place by 1/10th of a



◀ Pictured are the Andover High varsity ski team's three MIAA All-State Interscholastic Alpine Championship Meet qualifiers after the competition held recently at Berkshire East in Charlmont. From left are sophomore Monica Everett, senior Kristina Meuse and sophomore Tim Witman. A strong sixth-place overall finish by Witman highlighted the AHS performances. Witman placed ninth in the giant slalom and 10th in the slalom competition on the way to the combined sixth place in a men's division field of 130 skiers. Witman becomes the latest in a long line of AHS skiers to qualify for the New England Championships, scheduled this weekend at Mt. Snow in Westover, Vt. The New England also include qualifiers from New York and New Jersey. Meuse finished 31st in the slalom at Berkshire East with a combined 48.63 time for her two runs. She was 34th in the giant slalom with a 47.54 clocking, and her total time of 96.17 placed her 27th in a women's field of 135 skiers. Everett finished 31st in the giant slalom (46.90), but she missed a gate in the slalom and had to climb back up the hill to complete the run. Because of the mishap she placed 88th in 67.71, and ended up 71st overall with a total time of 1:14.50.

second, was clocked in 7.94 in the finals.

Contos, who missed advancing to the finals by 1/10th of a second, had a

best time of 8.82.

All-Conference

Hurdlers Ellis and Contos, along with dis-

tance standouts Matt Herling and Katherine Blais, are the Andover athletes named to the 1996-'97 Merrimack Valley All-Conference team in winter track.

AHS standouts chosen as MVC All-Stars are Donnie Pattullo (middle distance), Todd Collins (distance), Stephanie Brown (high jump), Erin Harris (high jump), Megan Munroe (sprints), Kacie Dexter (middle distance) and Kristen Munson (distance).

Schedule

Completing the indoor season were the State Pentathlon Championships for both men and women held Tuesday and yesterday at the Reggie Lewis Track Center in Roxbury. Andover was scheduled (Continued on page 50)

GOLDEN WARRIORS MEN'S BASKETBALL Game-By-Game

Andover 60, Haverhill 58

CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT

QUARTERFINAL

Andover 70, Greater Lawrence 41

SEMIFINAL

Lawrence 67, Andover 58

THIRD PLACE CONSOLATION

Andover 70, Methuen 68

REGULAR SEASON

Central Catholic 72, Andover 63

Andover 66, Lawrence 60

Andover 57, Needham 50 (non-league)

Andover 64, Methuen 54

Andover 70, Lexington 50 (non-league)

Andover 67, Dracut 48

Lowell 41, Andover 37

Andover 65, Chelmsford 57

Andover 76, Haverhill 64

Andover 72, Barnstable 44 (non-league)

Central Catholic 75, Andover 53

Andover 74, Billerica 63

Andover 66, Barnstable 55 (non-league)

Andover 66, Methuen 56

Andover 75, Tewksbury 58

Andover 64, Lowell 55

DIVISION 1 NORTH TOURNAMENT

FIRST ROUND

Cambridge R&L 60, Andover 54

FINAL RECORD: 16-5.

ANDOVER SCORING

MEN'S BASKETBALL (21 games) Final Statistics

	FG	FT	Pts
Corry McLaughlin	128	115	371
Brendan Long	95	50	267
Jeff Danis	78	52	208
Mark O'Sullivan	57	40	154
Dave Kodinsky	43	17	128
Ryan Games	31	15	77
Dave Hajjar	18	12	48
Rob Oppenheim	12	11	35
Pat Annese	6	9	21
Joe Sciolla	5	2	13
Chris Drizen	3	2	11
Joe Maglio	3	2	8
Brian Anderson	2	2	6

3-pointers: Long 27, Kodinsky 25, Drizen 3, Sciolla 1.

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Final Statistics

	G	A	Pts
Josh Hoerner	8	13	21
Rob Busby	9	11	20
Doug Henderson	4	9	13
Scott Ciruso	8	3	11
Adam Colucci	5	5	10
Robert Kwon	5	5	10
Albert Kwon	3	7	10
Marty Lastrina	1	7	8
Ryan Boilard	4	3	7
Mike Mallon	1	5	6
Scott Petersen	1	4	5
Matt Antaya	1	3	4
Mike Thomas	2	1	3
Peter Zetlan	0	3	3
Matt Adams	0	2	2
Ryan Nugent	0	1	1
Gordon Wade	0	1	1
Brian Wittbold	1	0	1

Shutouts: Mike Johnson 1, John Hogan & Taylor Gleason 1.

Hat Tricks: Rob Busby 1, Scott Ciruso 1.

GOLDEN WARRIORS MEN'S HOCKEY Game-By-Game

REGULAR SEASON

Andover 5, Lowell 0
Lincoln-Sudbury 3, Andover 1
Methuen 6, Andover 3
Andover 3, Concord-Carlisle 3
Billerica 4, Andover 2
Andover 4, Dracut 4
Boston Latin 3, Andover 1
Chelmsford 8, Andover 2
Andover 7, Haverhill 1
Andover 2, Lincoln-Sudbury 0
Andover 4, Central Catholic 2
Andover 4, Concord-Carlisle 1
Tewksbury 5, Andover 4
Andover 4, Boston Latin 2
Andover 3, Methuen 2
Haverhill 3, Andover 2

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SEMIFINAL
Triton Regional 3, Andover 1

THIRD-PLACE CONSOLATION
Canton 5, Andover 1

FINAL RECORD: 7-9-2.

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AHS ROUNDUP

(Continued from page 48)
uled to send a pair of three-person teams to the competition, the women represented by Katherine Blais, Nolia Hill and Cer-

illa Stevens and the men by Peter Ellis, Matt Aufiero and Mike Orlan-

della.
Ellis placed second in the Pentathlon last win-

ter, finishing just three points behind the champion.

Competition is both individual and team.

There was a strong possibility that Hill would be forced to the sidelines by a stress frac-

ture, in which case AHS would have only two women competing and would not be entered as a team.

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McNeice shoots 47 percent

Paul McNeice of Andover played a role in the success of the Babson College men's basketball team this winter.

The freshman forward, a former AHS standout, played in all 28 games for the Beavers and shot 47 percent from the floor while averaging two points and two rebounds per game.

The 6'5", 210-pounder had his best games with nine points off the bench against both Springfield College and Clark University.

"Paul has an unmatched work ethic," said Babson coach Steve Brennan. "He works extremely hard at both ends of the floor and, as his confidence improved this season, so too did his performance."

Babson finished with a 17-11 overall record, battling to the Constitution Athletic Conference finals before dropping a tight 69-67 decision to Springfield and then bowing 88-85 to Eastern Nazarene College in the ECAC New England Tournament.

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NOTICE

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Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Jus-

tice of said Court at Salem, the twenty-eighth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate
March 13, 1997

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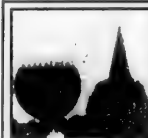
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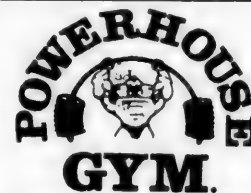
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March 6 and 13, 1997

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in the Town Office Building, Second Floor Conference Room, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, on Thursday, March 27, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. on the application of Robert C. Mitchell for Certificate of Appropriateness for placement of concrete pad on grade and telecommunications cabinets. Premises affected is located at 12 Tewksbury Street and is shown on Assessors Map 157, as Lot 45. The application is available for inspection in the Office of the Inspector of Buildings during business hours, Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

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March 13, 1997

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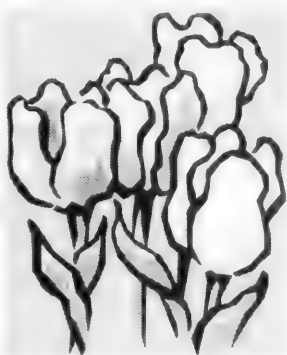
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CITY/TOWN: Andover

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APPLICANT: Niuna-100 River, Inc.

LOCATION: Off River Road

PURPOSE: Sewer Connection for Office/Engineering Building

TRANSMITTAL NO: #119039

DATE OF PRINTING: March 13, 1997

PROPOSED ACTION: TENTATIVE DETERMINATION
TO ISSUE

The above application, along with applicable laws, regulations and procedures are available for inspection at the above address. Comments on the proposed action or a request for a public hearing on the proposed action must be received at the above address within 30 days of this notice.

Sabin M Lord Jr.,
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March 13, 1997

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in a certain mortgage given by Dorothy M. Winn to Arlington Trust Company dated June 1, 1983 and recorded with Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 1680, Page 105, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on the 8th day of April, 1997, A.D. at 12:00 P.M. (NOON) at or upon the mortgaged premises, Unit M-9 Manchester House a/k/a 40C Washington Park Drive, Washington Park Condominium, 40 Washington Park Drive, Andover, Massachusetts as described below, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

To wit:

A certain parcel of real property situated in Andover, Essex County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and being Condominium Unit #M-9 in building designated as Manchester House of Washington Park Condominium located on 257-259 North Main Street and 40 Washington Park Drive, said Andover, as established pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 183-A by a Master Deed dated June 15, 1981 and recorded in the North District Essex County Registry of Deeds at Volume 1512, Page 37 as amended. Said Unit is laid out as shown on the site plan and floor plans filed with Declaration of Condominium and Master Deed and recorded in the aforesaid Registry of Deeds as plan #8660 and entitled Condominium Site Plan, Washington Park Condominium, Andover, Mass. and plan #8661 entitled Washington Park Condominium, Andover, Mass. Sheet No.11 and to which are attached the verified statements of a registered land surveyor as required by Section 9 of the said Chapter 183-A and to which reference may be had for a more particular description. Said unit is hereby mortgaged together with the .624% undivided interest in the common elements and facilities and limited common areas and facilities described in the Master Deed attaching to the aforesaid Condominium Unit and subject to and together with the rights to us the same in common with others entitled thereto; and subject to and together with the rights in easement and encroachments and subject to such by-laws, rules and regulations, and said Chapter 183-A all as from time to time amended, and as set forth in the Unit Deed to the Mortgageors from Paul K. Bready, Jr., dated June 1, 1983 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds herewith, and all of which said interest and rights shall be considered as an integral part of the mortgaged premises. Said unit is to be used for residential purposes and shall not be used for any business purpose except as may be expressly permitted by the Unit Owners Association in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration and By-Laws.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all outstanding municipal or other public taxes, tax titles, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and existing encumbrances of record, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS and NO/100 (\$5,000.00) must be paid by certified, bank, treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser as a deposit. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid in cash, or by certified check, bank cashier's check or bank treasurer's check within 30 days thereafter at the Law Offices of Shapiro & Kreisman, 492 Old Connecticut Path, Framingham, MA 01701 (508) 872-0221. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Federal National Mortgage Association,
PRESENT HOLDER OF SAID MORTGAGE
March 13, 20 & 27, 1997

TOWN OF ANDOVER MASSACHUSETTS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

A public informational meeting will be held by the Town of Andover to discuss the proposed reconstruction of River Road in the Town of Andover, MA. The proposed project consists of widening and reconstruction of River Road beginning approximately 300 feet west of Shattuck Road easterly to and including the I-93 bridge and interchange. This project is being designed and constructed by the Massachusetts Highway Department. The purpose of this meeting is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with progress of the design at the 75 percent completion stage.

WHERE: Andover Water Treatment Plant
397 Lowell Street
Andover, MA 01810

WHEN: Tuesday, March 18, 1997 7:00 p.m.

Town Officials and an Engineer from the design firm will be in attendance to answer questions regarding this project.

Reginald S. Stapczynski
Town Manager
March 13, 1997

Robert E. McQuade
Director of Public Works

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following is a list of properties in Andover that sold from Feb. 21 to Feb 27.

1 Kevin M. Shaw bought 8 Mathews Lane, Lots 20, 20A, for \$249,000 from Dirk S. Lohr. The mortgage is with Leader Mortgage Co. Inc.

2 John J. King bought 20 Maplewood Road, Lots 11B, 12A, for \$164,000 from Barbara L. Field.

3 Yuming Emily Chao bought Unit 213, 16 Balmoral St. for \$60,000 from Paul G. Hutchins. The mortgage is with Interate National Mortgage Corp.

4 Linda A. Bourgeois bought B-5 Colonial Drive, #8, for \$58,000 from David C. Calvini. The mortgage is with Federal Savings Bank.

5 Norman Bakht bought 8 Lilian Terrace, Lot 25, for \$296,000 from Alan B. Coon. The mortgage is with PNC Mortgage Corp. of America.

6 Peter M. Hadley bought 8 Joyce Terrace, Lot 7, for \$235,000 from Pier Properties Inc. The mortgage is with Fleet Mortgage Corp.

7 Donald P. Elliott bought 80 Carmel Road for \$335,000 from Edwin F. Bell. The mortgage is with Medford Savings Bank.

8 Shamus J. McBride bought 6 Starwood Crossing, Lot 12, for \$325,000 from William C. Geary

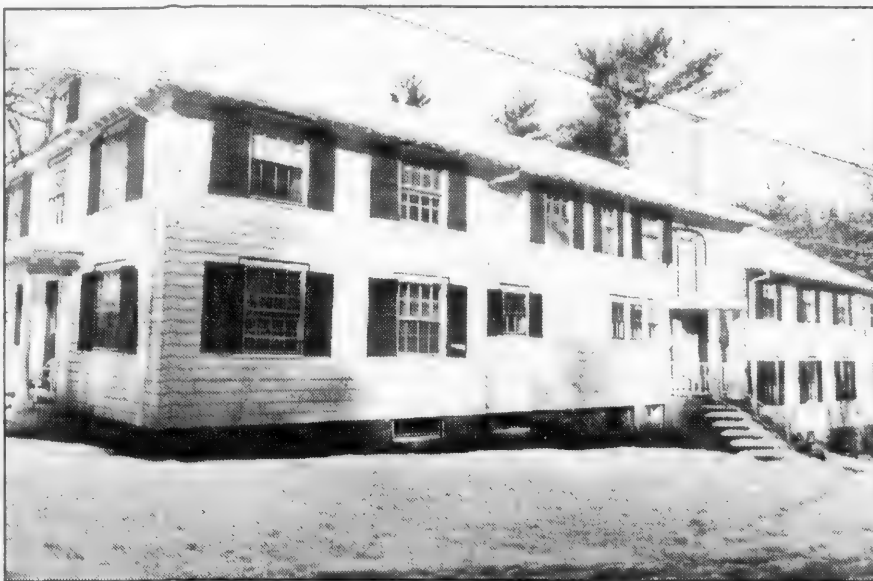


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

This house at 80 Carmel Road sold recently for \$335,000.

III. The mortgage is with Olde Towne Mortgage Co. Inc.

9 Dorothy V. Doherty bought Washington Park, Exeter House 3, for \$90,000 from Harold M. Mack.

10 Lawrence A. Rosenthal bought 17 Greybitch Road, Lot 18, for \$282,500 from John Onufer Jr. The mortgage is with Olde Towne Mortgage Co. Inc.

11 Debra Rillahan bought 250 Andover St., Parcel 23, for \$163,000 from Margaret A. Steele.

12 Srinivasan Ravikumar bought 4 Coventry Lane, Lot 2, for \$534,900 from James D. Fisher. The mortgage is with Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts, Inc.

Source: Essex County Registry of Deeds, Lawrence branch.

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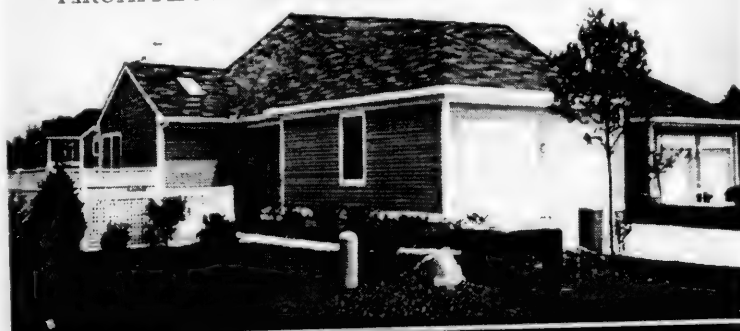
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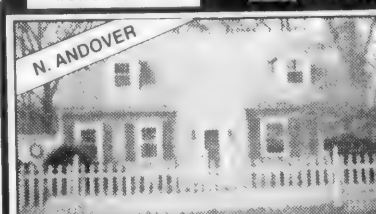
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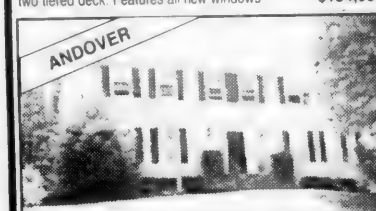
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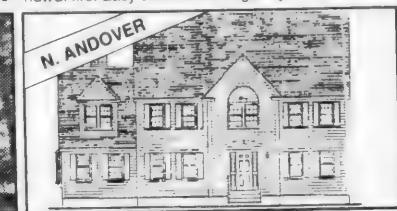
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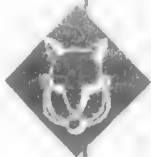


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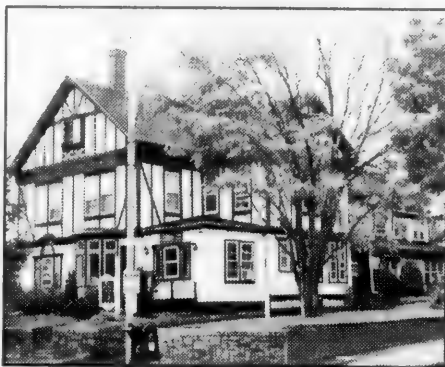
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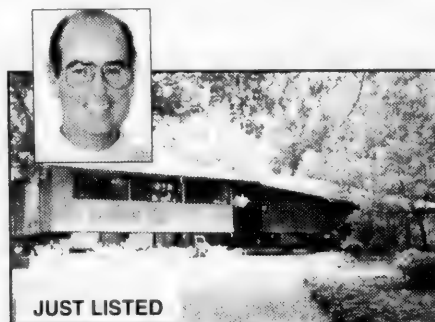
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ANDOVER - Delightful One-owner home situated on cul-de-sac. Lovely Cape has private fenced yard, flexible floor plan for 3 or 4 bedroom use, living room with fireplace and enclosed sunporch. A new listing by Chris Doherty. **PVRM 15 Seller will entertain offers between \$170,000 and \$210,000.**



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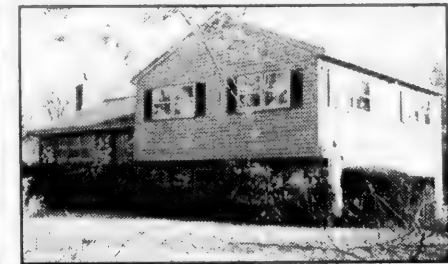


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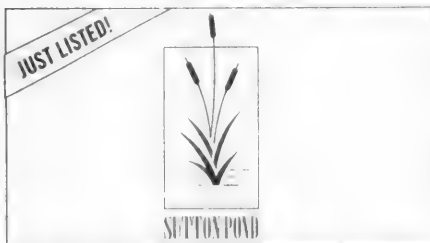
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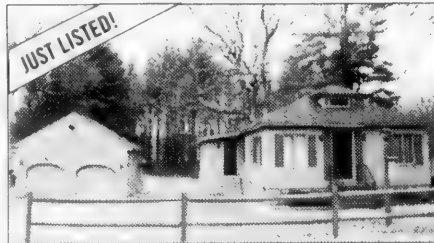
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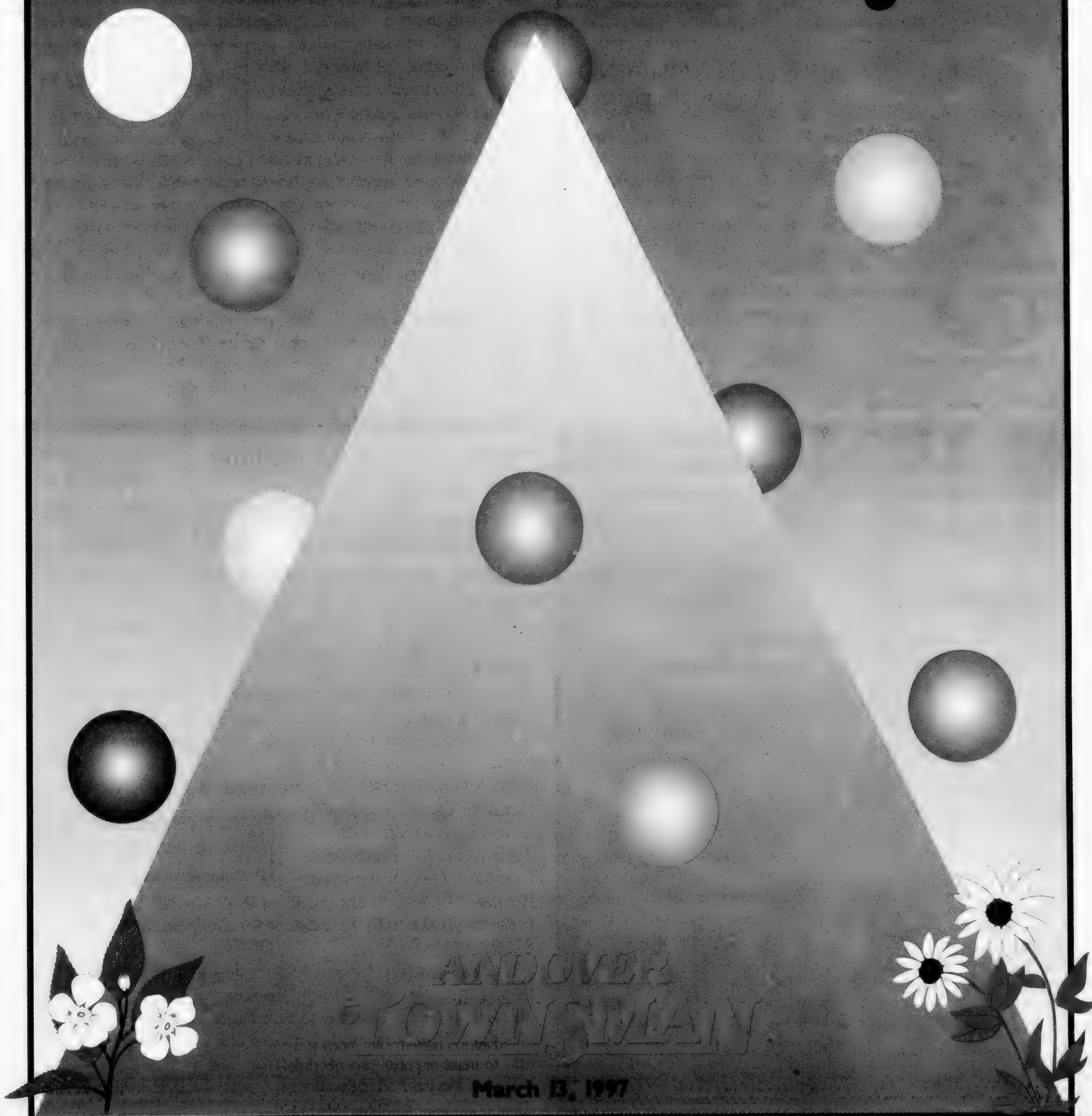
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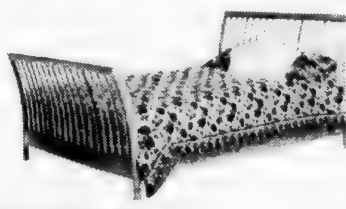
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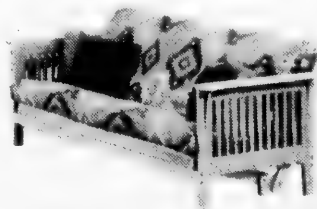


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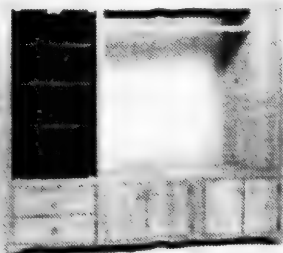
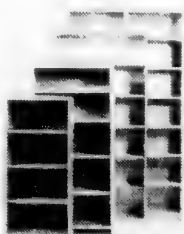
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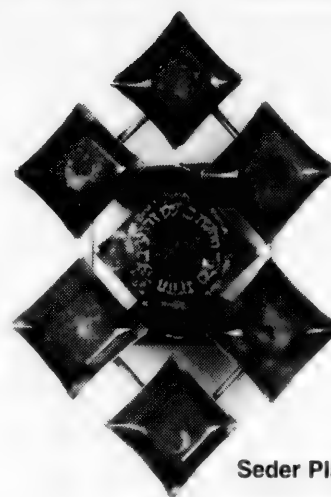
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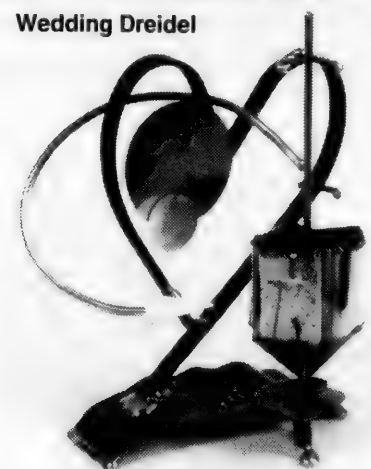
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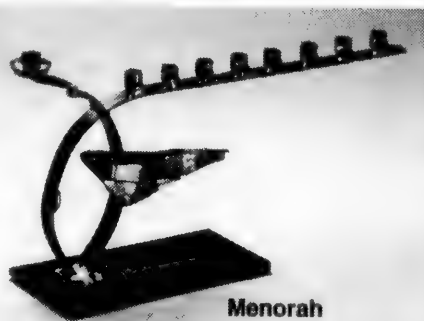
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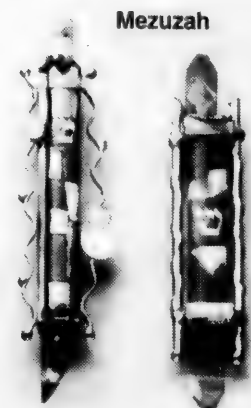
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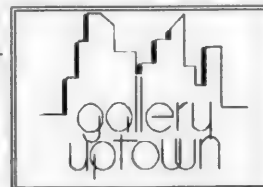
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Gallery Uptown of Andover offers a wide variety of artwork ranging from originals to open edition prints. It has a unique selection of original paintings, serigraphs and lithographs from internationally acclaimed artists such as McKnight, Delacroix, Chagall, Behrens, Hallam, Harvey, Plisson, Hatfield and others. The limited edition prints include artist such as Wysoki, Gordon, Mock, Anderson, Wooster-Scott and many others. Also, a wide range of open edition prints is available to suit any interest, theme and budget.

Last year for the first time, the gallery introduced a unique line of limited edition sculptures by Italian baroque master Angelo Basso and the internationally renowned sculptor Bill Mack, whose sculptures embody an entirely new genre of wall art. In addition, there is a wide variety of unique gift items.

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Triangle Pacific
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Hours: Wednesday-Saturday, 10-4

By Bill Copeland, Telegraph correspondent

Triangle Pacific, the national cabinet manufacturing company which runs a distribution center at 25 Crown St., would like to thank local residents for making their "Bargain Barn" a big success this past year. Because Triangle Pacific was so successful in Nashua last year, the company has opened up another distribution center in Shrewsbury, Mass.

The Bargain Barn, run by craftsman John Kelleher, allows individual customers to purchase merchandise with slight imperfections at a low cost. Mr. Kelleher is a very creative person who can advise customers as to the best use of his cabinets, demonstrating that merchandise with slight imperfections can be used very creatively to upgrade, utilize space or answer any fashion need by merely placing a cabinet in a strategic position. He can even show the customer how to combine new cabinets with older units, thereby saving the customer more money. Mr. Kelleher can also incorporate cabinets into hutches, desks, bench seats, entertainment centers and he continues to experiment to find more uses for his products.

"We're well liked by people who shop here," Mr. Kelleher said. "We're successful because we know what makes people happy. Customers like to shop here because they know they're going to get a good deal. It's all in the name," he said. "People want a good deal," he continued. "People want value. That's why we're here. There's a market for our cabinets because of its perceived value. I'll give them what they need for their money. People know a bargain when they see one."

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Alice Cook's daughter has participated in Northmeadow's summer day camp for the past two years. "My child is anxious to return to Northmeadow this summer," said Ms. Cook. "She enjoys the camp tremendously, and is always looking forward to the next day."

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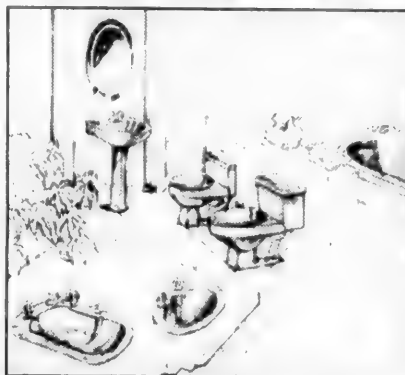
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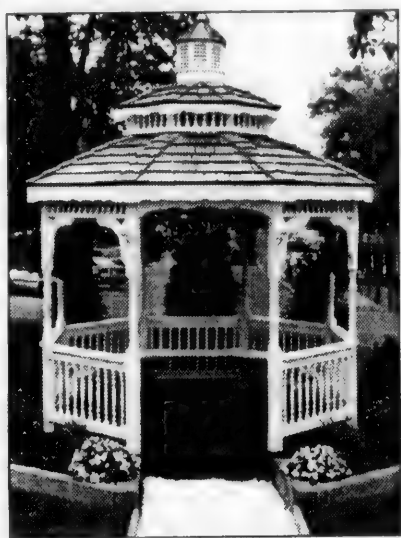
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How does it work?

Through lifestyle plans and ongoing assessments, residents receive the personalized attention they need to maintain comfortable, healthy lifestyles. Our goal is to promote dignity and independence of our residents with compassionate, experience care. Many residents are able to remain in a residential setting for a longer period of time.

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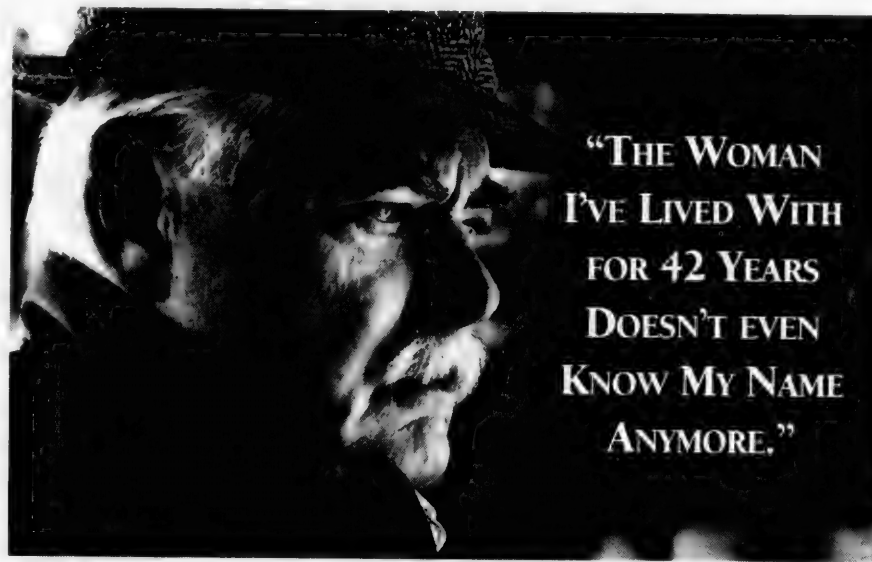


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In the meantime, The Savings Bank has introduced a new bank product to celebrate their arrival in Andover. Cleverly named the "Grandover Account," it is a basic checking account with no fees for check writing, no monthly service charges, no minimum balances, free first order of checks, free ATM use anywhere with direct deposit, and 50 percent off the first year's rental of a 2" x 5" safe deposit box.

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The Savings Bank may be a newcomer to Andover, but it's been a leading community bank in the surrounding area for more than 127 years. With four branches in Wakefield and Lynnfield, the bank is well known for its many activities and contributions in support of community service and non-profit groups.

"One of the reasons we can be so focused on serving the community," Mr. McCoubrey stated, "is because we are a mutual bank. We have no shareholders, so we're able to completely focus our efforts toward the needs of our customers and local communities."

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